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TO

William Dudley Sprague, A. B.

our counsellor and our guide, in recognition of
whose continual kindness and helpful advice,
we, the Class of 1927, dedicate this year book.

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EDWARD S. AMAZEEN "Ed" "Eddie" "Jo" "Hector"
"Truck"

Class Vice-President (4); Nuntius, (2); "School Life", Editor-in-Chief (4); Year Book, Editor-in-Chief (4); Hi-Y Club (3) (4), Vice President (4); Boys' Debating Club (1) (2) (3) (4), Vice President (3); Euclidean Society (3) (4); Sophomore Dance Committee Chairman (2); Junior Prom Committee, Treasurer (3); Traffic Squad (3); Lieutenant (4); Physical Education Leader (1) (2) Supervisor (3); Football (3) (4); Class Basketball (3); Track (3) (4); Class Day Committee (4).

Edward S. Amazeen, how familiar that name sounds! Why shouldn't it. "Ed" certainly has been invaluable to the class of '27. His popularity has earned him the vice-presidency of the class of '27 and the same office in the Hi-Y Club. His great ability made him a success as Editor-in-Chief of the "School Life" and the year book. He proved his athletic ability by playing right guard on the championship football team and he has done good work as a track man. Outside of these things "Truck's" hobby is boat racing. "Hector" will never be forgotten by his classmates who expect big things as he matriculates to Harvard. Knowing "Ed" to be the kind of a fellow we want to call our friend we will all be sorry when he leaves us after graduation.



RUTH ANDERSON "Ruthie"

Ruth joined our class last year because of sickness, and we were glad to get her. She is one of our quiet girls, but that is the kind that always gets what they go after. Ruth decided to go to art school, and then she changed her mind. We think she had better change back again, for she would make a success at it, we feel sure. Anyway, we all love her and wish her the best of luck in whatever she decides to do in the future.



BARBARA ANDERTON "Barb" "Barlie"

Girls' Club (3) (4).

What could we do without our "Barlie"? We just couldn't. For four years she has made us happy by her beaming countenance. Because she is so lovable we will miss her terribly after graduation. We often do not appreciate a friendship like "Barbie's" because we take so much for granted when a person is always so sweet. "Barbie" has not decided just what she will take up. It really isn't going to make a bit of difference whether she chooses a social or a business career; she will be successful and forever our sweet "Barbie".



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JANIS APPLER

JANIS APPLER "Jan" "Billy"

Euclidean Society (3); Class Basketball (4)

Janis, with her big, blue eyes, has travelled through her four years at High School with a minimum of effort, but not a minimum of result. Yet her natural cleverness has been somewhat held at disadvantage by her dislike for hours of study. When Janis first came to school she was a very little girl—especially in proportion to those eyes of hers; now she has grown taller, but not one whit wider. As a freshman, she was terribly afraid of the traffic officers, but now from her full height, she is level with and even taller than some of these beings, and so she no longer has any fear of them.

MILDRED L. BALDWIN "Mim" "Milly"

Girls' Club (4); Physical Education Leader(3); Gym Team (2); Traffic Squad (4).

Have you heard the latest? Well, we know who it is now! It's "Mim." My, but if you want news, you're bound never to fail if you just ask "Mim". She is always well supplied with the latest news, and she still claims she could be a wee bit "Fuller". She came to us from the Franklin School, then left to go to Dorchester High, but was soon back in M. H. S. "Mim" has always been popular with the girls, as well as with the boys. She has a great fondness for Reading, but we don't blame her! If there is ever a commotion in the classroom, you may be certain that "Mim" is at the bottom of it. "Mim" is a camp girl; she adores camps, and says, "there's nothing like having visitors at 3 o'clock in the morning." "Mim" is going to be a nurse and we wish her luck in her chosen career.



WALTER W. BALDWIN "Red"

Traffic Squad (4).

Walter arrived in Melrose to become a jolly junior after having passed his first two years in New Jersey. His flashing red hair, lengthy build and good looks brought him into immediate popularity, especially with the young ladies. He is always present at the social events where he is a general favorite. This year he has been a member of the "Hurry-up" Squad so that he can no longer Charleston down the corridors. Good luck in your future life, Walter.

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JOHN E. BARRETT "Duke"

John is a quiet fellow. If you don't believe it, just ask him. We'll guarantee he won't tell you. However, in John's case quietness has its value, for we have seen his name on the honor list, which shows that he has done some studying. We understand that he is a working man and we wish him the best of everything in later life.



ANNA A. BAYLISS

"Pinafore" (2) ; "Mikado" (3); Orchestra (1) (2) (3) (4); Physical Education Leader (1); Tennis Captain (1); Gym Team (1).

Anna's mother knew that her daughter was destined to be a second Mlle. Lenglen, for at the early age of two she found her dancing around the floor with a fly swatter; and lo and behold! in her freshman year at Melrose High she captained the school tennis team! Only we who know Anna realize what a sweet alto voice she possesses. She was in the chorus of both "Pinafore" and "The Mikado" and she also plays the cello in the orchestra. Anna always did love to study, and in her senior year in the subject of home nursing she gave the class much amusement through her witty remarks. To tell the truth, most of us consider Anna rather a tomboy. She always excelled in sports and her mother claims that she should have been a boy.



WILLIAM M. BEAL "Bill"

Boys' Debating Club (1); Euclidean Society (3) (4).

"Bill" Beal breathed his first sample of this earthly atmosphere in February 1909. Since then those things which have distinguished him, aside from his good looks, are an unrestrained recklessness, an untainted taste for anything virile, and, except for several purloined automobiles, an unbiased leaning toward honesty. Looking four years into the future we may see this youth among the ranks of the coming engineers in the graduating class of the University of Maine.



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WILLIAM F. BENEDICT "Benny"

Boys' Debating Club (1) (2); Ancient History Play (2); Physical Education Leader (1) (2) (3) (4); Cross Country Captain (4).

"Benny" is the track star of Melrose High. During the last four years he has won innumerable medals, cups, and various other prizes. He holds the mile record for the University of New Hampshire prep and high school meet, a like record for the Mystic Valley League meet and many dual meet records. His running in the Boston-Providence race which he lead for 22 miles was a remarkable performance for a high school boy. Whatever "Bill" starts out to do, he finishes. That is one reason for his success in running. He never quits; grit is his middle name. Within a few years, we shall undoubtedly see "Benny" as a marathoner of the first rank, a fitting successor to Melrose Clarence.

GLADYS LOUISE BESHONG "Glad" "Gladly"

Girls' Club (4); Physical Education Leader (4).

Just see how happy this charming maid is with her cheery nicknames. With such befitting names, we find Gladys a kind and loving pal. She has made much progress in school by her excellent compositions in which her use of clever expressions and an extensive vocabulary are noteworthy. Perhaps she will become a famous novelist. Who knows? There is no limit to her musical talent, especially when it comes to the latest jazz hits. Lately she demonstrated her ability as a clever and graceful dancer in the Kappa musical revue. She plans to take a two year course at Candler school, after which she will make her mark in this great universe.



GLADYS I. BLACK "Blackie"

Physical Education Leader (1).

Gladys is one of our quiet girls and professes to be a man-hater, although during the winter her one great interest was in six young men who played hockey for Melrose. You would find "Blackie" at the Ell Pond Rink whenever the Melrose sextet was playing. Those who know "Blackie" realize that she has good school spirit, not only for school sports, but also in school work. She is not a teachers' pet, but just a good, all-round sport. You can see by her picture that she is all that has been mentioned.



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ROWLAND M. BLACKSTONE "Rowlie" "Blackie"

French Club (4).

"Ro" is one of the musically inclined members of the class. He has a reputation as an organist, and his ability as a jazz pianist is widely known. "Blackie's" high school career was interrupted by a trip abroad, after which he became a member of '27. Outside of school he spends much of his time as a reporter for the *Free Press*. With his many talents he is sure to be a success in later life either as a musician or as a newspaper man.



ELEANOR EVELYN BLISS "Al"

"Al" came to M. H. S. this year from Sonerville. Because she has been here for so short a time and because she is a quiet girl, she has not become very well known to us. "Al" enjoys sports and has been present at several of our games. We do not know yet what Eleanor intends to do when she leaves M. H. S., but we hope that she will always succeed.



AUGUSTA ANN BONZAGNI "Gussie"

Class Secretary (2); Girls' Club (3) (4); Masque and Wig (4); Euclidean Society (4); French Club (4).

Everyone in M. H. S. knows "Gussie" by her everlasting smile and charming personality. She is undoubtedly one of the prettiest girls of the graduating class. Her cheeks are like roses and her eyes like sparkling diamonds. "Gussie" is always happy and she makes others happy by her sweet smile. She is talented in many ways, for besides being a reader and a dancer, she is very musical. Recently she has taken lessons on the harp. "Gussie" plans to enter Leland Powers School this September.



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CLYDE BORGAL

Orchestra (1) (2) (3) (4).

Clyde can hold his own in any singing or dancing contest. He is leader of an orchestra which recently won a prize contest in Salem. He has been offered several opportunities as an orchestra leader in various summer places. Clyde also has a voice with a range that enables him to sing both bass and tenor. Clyde is too modest, however; he does not "blow his own horn" but lets someone else do the talking. Very few in high school really know Clyde, for he is not particularly interested in the tedious activities of the school except the orchestra, in which he shines. Clyde is a likable fellow in spite of his seeming casual attitude, but you've got to know him well to appreciate him.

ERNEST F. BRYANT, JR.

Radio Club (3); Physical Education Leader (4); Choral Presentation at Memorial Hall (2).

Ernest takes the prize for being bashful in the presence of young ladies. He himself admits that he only knows one girl in high school. We envy him. His high school course has been considerably broken up for various reasons. He spent his freshman year in the school of our neighboring city of Malden. The next two were passed at Melrose. Last season he took a vacation in order to graduate with our class which he entered last fall. His trusty auto has taken him to school every day this year except three when the heavy snows blocked his way. The next election will see Ernest casting his first ballot, for by that time he will have reached his majority. Tempus fugit!



PAULINE F. BRYANT "Polly" "Poppy"

Librarian (4).

On the fifth of December, 1908, Mr. David Bryant was presented with great news. "Polly" was half of it and Paul the other half. This all occurred in Boston, but Mr. and Mrs. Bryant, desirous of bringing their children up in beautiful surroundings, moved to our fair city of Melrose. In High School Polly's greatest achievements have been "skipping" school, making excuses, and generally getting her teachers' "goats". This year she has surprised us all by displaying a diamond on the third finger of her left hand. Next fall she expects to change her name to Mrs. Charles H. Tarr. We wish her luck and happiness.

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PHYLLIS C. BUCK "Bucky" "Phil"

Girls' Club (2) (3) (4); Junior Prom Committee (3); Physical Education Leader (4); Basketball (3) (4); Field Hockey (3) (4).

"Phil", small as she is, is one of the most athletic girls in M. H. S. She came to us from the Washington School, and since her entrance into high school, she has participated in many school activities. Her career began in her freshman year when she helped Melrose gain the 6 points in the 86-6 Swampscott basketball game. She has since been a popular player for the field hockey and tennis teams as well as for the basketball teams. Her two great ambitions are to have a natural wave and to become an expert coach. We all feel sure that she would make a fine coach as she is so proficient in all forms of sport. Good luck, "Bucky".



MARTHA ELEANOR BURKE "Pepa"

"Pepa" has one of the sweetest dispositions of any girl in school. You are always sure of finding her the same fun-loving, gay, talkative, and always interested in what you have to say. Nothing ever worries her because she always sees the bright side. "Pepa" is an accomplished pianist, having graduated from the Faelton School of Music. She intends to go to Bridgewater Normal School. We'll envy her pupils because "Pepa" declares she's never going to give hard exams!

LAWRENCE J. CADIGAN "Larry" "Laure" "Caddy"

"Laurie" has the honor of being a graduate of the Franklin School. His interest in athletics runs high although he has not been a candidate for the teams. He has one fault which he shares with several of his classmates, that is, he is always on the verge of being late to school about six days every week. "Laurie" is a very faithful student, and he spends a great deal of time in preparing his lessons. With his faithfulness and straight forward way, he is sure to be a worthy alumnus of M. H. S.



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JULIAN A. CARPENTER "Carp"

Hi-Y Club (3) (4); *Corresponding Secretary* (4); *Euclidean Society* (4); *Traffic Squad* (4).

"Carp", famous for his brilliant wit and satirical comments, will always be remembered by his classmates for his perpetual smile and "sunny disposish." In spite of his diminutive stature he soon became a popular member of '27. As he has been a working man during the afternoons, "Carp" has not been an active member of any organizations except the Hi-Y. However, for two years he has been a willing worker in this club, and in his senior year he served as corresponding secretary. He has also been a member of the Traffic Squad, doing duty before room 59. Good luck, "Carpie!"

FRANKLIN CARR "Frank" "Length" "Stretch"

Hi-Y Club (3) (4); *Masque and Wig* (2) (3) (4); *"Rising of Moon"* (2); *"Pinafore"* (2); *"Mikado"* (3); *"The Goose Hangs High"* (4); *Physical Education Leader* (2) (3) (4).

"Frank" stands very high in the estimation of everyone in M. H. S. as an actor and songster. He took leading roles in "Pinafore," "Mikado" and "The Goose Hangs High" and performed much to the delight of the audiences. "Frank" is also our class "big boy," but he seems to forget his height when choosing his "certain one" for dances. He is usually forced to "stoop to conquer." "Frank" is set on being as big in a business way later as he is physically now. Best of luck to you, "Frank," for a successful career.



ARTHUR DOUGLAS CARY "Doug"

Masque and Wig (4); *Physical Education Leader* (4); *Football* (4); *Basketball* (4).

"Doug" came to M. H. S. in his sophomore year from Malden High where he is still well known. Since he has been with us he has made a fine record. In his first year at Melrose he won the speaking contest. Although "Doug" has not been a star on the football team, he is a "Red Grange" on the dance floor. This and his "good looks" seem to make him very popular, especially with the girls. He intends to take up dramatics (in the future) for which he is so well fitted.



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FLORENCE E. CATES "Ponnie" "Maranda"

Thrift Council (4).

Everybody in our school does not know Florence Edna Cates, but they all know "Ponnie." She is a little girl, and you may first get the impression that she is very quiet, yet you will change your mind before you have known her long. She is the sort of person who drives away the blues, for when she is around everything is sunshiny. "Ponnie" loves dancing and incidentally she has a very nice partner. During the last year she has become very much interested in "Nursing." No one would mind being sick with this little girl for a nurse. May you always scatter rays of brightness in your path, "Ponnie."



HERBERT CHASE "Herbie"

Physical Education Leader (4).

"Herb" is a State-of Maine man and he joined our class in 1924. This year he has been very consistent in his attendance, breaking his previous record of two days straight. When in school, "Charleston" shows a marked ability in English. He is a musician of considerable note and has been a member of several snappy jazz teams. He is quite a popular man among the ladies, especially to and from school. We don't know what the future holds in store for this young fellow but we surely trust it will be something good.



MURIEL HELENE CHISHOLM "Chisy"

Class Secretary (4); Year Book Advertising Manager (4); Girls' Club, Charter Member (2) (3) (4), Vice President (3), Chairman Membership Committee (4); Pro and Con (1); Junior Board of Aldermen (1); "Pinafore" (2); Class Day Committee (4); Traffic Squad (4) Clerk (4).

Four years ago Muriel came to M. H. S. from Somerville. During this time she has become one of our dearest and most popular girls. Because of her sweet personality and pleasing disposition, she has won many friends and last fall was elected secretary of her class. "Chisy" is a charter member of the Girls' Club and has always been a very active and efficient member. Those who know "Chisy" love her and cherish her as a dear friend. Next year "Chisy" hopes to go to Katherine Gibbs' Secretarial School, and we know that whatever she does she will always be a credit to M. H. S.



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OLIVE ELIZABETH CLARK "Clarkie"

Girls' Club (4).

Olive graduated from the Franklin School, and entered High School determined to go to college. She changed her mind in her sophomore year, as is every woman's privilege, and we find she has made a success of the secretarial course. During the four years Olive and "Dot" Norwood have been constantly trying to grow up, but Olive's efforts were in vain for she has the honor of being the shortest (4 feet 10 inches) of the class of 1927. She is undecided where to go, but she will probably attend a secretarial school, and blossom out a first class secretary.

PHYLLIS MINOTT CLARKE "Phil"

Girls' Club (3) (4); Euclidean Society (4); French Club (4).

Although "Phil" has been in M. H. S. for only two years, her host of friends is unlimited. By her lovely complexion and her unbobbed golden hair she has won both the admiration of the boys and the envy of the girls as well as the honor of being the prettiest girl of '27. She has taken an active part in many of our clubs and especially in the Girl's Club, where she has done good work as a member of the Induction Team and as keeper of the attendance record. "Phil" has also left a fine scholastic record in M. H. S. She has made plans to enter Framingham Normal next year, when she will take a course in domestic science.



GLADYS COBURN "Bee"

Mayor of Civics Class (1); Girls' Club ((2) (3) (4)); Chairman of Parent-Faculty Night Committee (4); Physical Education Leader (1) (2).

"Bee" is one of our most popular girls, for her happy disposition and roguish smiles win her a host of admirers wherever she goes. The glances of the opposite sex hold no meaning for her, however, as her heart has been completely captured, and all others she has resolved to aban-"Don". "Bee" is the best of pals and can always be depended upon to faithfully do her share no matter what situation may arise. She is also one of our most clever stenographers, which accomplishment with her well developed qualities for making friends should lead her along the road to success.



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WILLIAM S. COCHRANE "Bud"

"School Life" (4); Year Book (4); Hi-Y Club (3) (4); Secretary (4); Class Day Committee (4); Traffic Squad (4); Physical Education Leader (3); Cross Country (4).

"Bud" came to M. H. S. from the Livermore School four years ago. He found his place at once, and because of his good looks and pleasing personality he became popular among both boys and girls. "Bud" went in for everything that came along and always did his share of the work. The boys of the Hi-Y Club, in order to show their appreciation of his good qualities, made him secretary of their club. "Bud" plans to "prep" a year at Wilbraham, after which he is thinking of going to Wesleyan, Connecticut. We know he will succeed in whatever he does, so best wishes, "Bud!"



ISABELLE L. CONN "Izzy" "Red"

Girls' Club (4).

Isabelle Conn, better known as "Izzy," is one of the red-heads of the class of '27. "Izzy" is always happy and has a pleasing personality. "Izzy" spent most of her first three years doing much correspondence with her boy-friends, but her last year she devoted mainly to study. "Izzy" is a member of the Girls' Club at M. H. S. and a friend to every one that knows her. She is planning to become a nurse, and we wish her the best of success.



ELIZABETH JANE COOK "Betty"

Nuntius (2); "School Life" (4); Year Book (4); Girls' Club (3) (4); Euclidean Society (3) (4); President (4); French Club (4); Vice President (4); Traffic Squad (4); Assembly Committee (4).

"Betty" during her three years with us, has made an enviable record. Since her sophomore year when she came from Buffalo, N. Y., she has been an excellent student, so much so, in fact, that she earned the honor of being our valedictorian. But her attention has not been confined solely to her studies, for she has been a very active worker in the Girls' Club and has served as president of the Euclidean Society. "Betty" has performed her duties on the "School Life" staff in a most business-like way, and during this last busy part of the senior year she has been the hardest working member of the "Highlights" editorial staff. With her abounding good nature and her wonderful spirit of helpfulness, "Betty" has become one of the best-liked members of '27. May she carry on the good work at Mount Holyoke next year.



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EVELYN F. CREELMAN "Evie" "Ev"

Year Book Treasurer (4); *Girls' Club* (2) (3) (4), *President* (4); *Junior Board of Aldermen* (1); *"Pinafore"* (2) (3). *"The Charm School"* (3); *Class Day Committee* (4); *Traffic Squad* (4).

Evelyn entered good old M. H. S. four years ago from the Washington School. Since then she has proven such an able and cheerful worker, both in school and social affairs, that she is now one of our most popular members. Her pleasing personality and her ability as a leader won for her the presidency of the Girls' Club, and she has successfully guided it through a year of worthwhile accomplishments. Evelyn's sweet disposition has gained her a host of friends and, indeed, "just to know her is to love her." We feel quite sure that "Evie" will enter some school of domestic science and we certainly wish her the best of success.

M. VIRGINIA CROCKER "Gin"

Masque and Wig (3) (4); *Secretary* (4); *Junior Board of Aldermen* (1); *Girls' Club* (3) (4); *"Wisdom Teeth"* (4); *"Rose of Plymouth Town"* (3); *"The Goose Hangs High"* (4); *Traffic Squad* (4).

"Gin" is one of those girls upon whom one can always depend. It is with a happy smile and a consenting nod that she always says she will help out. "Gin" has been a very efficient secretary of the Masque and Wig which is one of her chief interests, for it is through this society that she has become such a noted actress. "Gin" has also been a very active traffic cop, and she surely makes the underclassmen step lively. We do not know what "Gin" will choose for her future career, but we know that with such a pleasing personality and with such ability she is sure to make a success of life.



DEXTER B. CROSBY "Deck" "Crosby"

Ever since a "petit garçon" in knee breeches, "Deck" has set his heart on four happy years at Hanover, but due to an overflow of brilliant youths he was unable to get in. They don't know what a man is slipping from them. "Deck" has never been listed on any of our social registers. His time has been spent in the consumption of fragments of knowledge. His thirst for learning, which is an unknown quantity for most of us, has been almost unquenchable. Monday and Wednesday Dexter has trotted back and forth to school with his books neatly piled under his husky arm. Keep at it, old boy, you'll get there yet!

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LORING T. CUSHMAN JR. "Junie"

Mayor of Civics Class (1); Class Treasurer (2) (3); Year Book, Editorial Staff (4); Ice Hockey (3) (4).

During the past two years "Junie" has made quite a reputation for himself as a hockey player, because of his fast skating and accurate shooting. However his accomplishments were not confined to hockey as he is even more talented as a student. "Junie's" popularity won him the job as treasurer of the class during the sophomore and junior years and a position on the Editorial Staff of "Highlights" in his senior year. "Junie" expects to go to a prep school and then to college and whatever he does he has the best wishes of the Class of '27.



MAXINE A. DAMREN "Max"

Girls' Club (4); Plays, "Pinfore" (2); Thrift Council (3) (4).

"Max" is one of the members of the "Unholy Three". The first difficulty she encountered on entering M. H. S. was finding a way of carrying her books without constantly dropping them in front of dignified seniors and thereby disgracing herself. Although "Max" has not taken part in many school activities she is an enthusiastic church member and has taken part in a great many church activities. She is one of the best-natured girls in the class. Her many friends have found her a true and lovable pal. Her curly hair is the subject of much admiration and envy. Maxine is undecided what she will do next year, but we know whatever she does she will succeed.



BEATRICE L. DAVIS "Bea"

Girls' Club (4).

"Bee" is a quiet girl who does a lot of thinking. Although she has not indulged in many of the school activities, she has been a loyal rooter at the games. "Bee" has gained many friends during her high school career, through her winning personality. "Bee" is taking the accounting course in preparation for the business world. Whatever she intends to do we wish her the best of luck. Her favorite occupation is booking in Room 59.



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ELEANOR DAVISON "Ellie" "Jackie" "Ell" "Dutchie"

"Pinafare" (2), "Mikado" (3).

"Ellie" is another ray of sunshine from M. H. S. She is well known among everyone of her school pals as "the girl with the pleasing smile." "Ellie" became noted as an artist during the Melrose Woman's Club poster contest when she won second prize, for which success she received a rousing good cheer from everyone. When the musical comedies were presented in the school, "Ellie" showed her talent by taking part in both. "Ellie" with her genial smile and sweet personality, has gained many friends, and with these characteristics she will surely find many more when she goes to work next fall.

JOHN C. DAWES

Four years ago, there came to Melrose High School a boy named "Johnnie" Dawes. He brought with him a happy-go-lucky way which made him a popular student. Credit must be given to this lad, for he overcame that common disease known as laziness. For the last three and a half years "Johnnie" has tried to wake up before his alarm clock went off; however, he succeeded but once, the time when the clock happened to be out of order. From what we hear, this same clock has several indentations on it, due chiefly to brutal treatment. Perhaps "Johnnie" will forget what he learned or what he did in high school, but he will never forget "Ma" Fogg's HOT DOGS.



JOSEPH DELANEY "Joe"

Football (4); Baseball (3) (4); Track (4).

"Joe" came from the Washington School four years ago. Since he has been in high school he has made a name for himself by his snappy football playing and his work on the baseball team, and also he is a good track man. When he gets started, there are few who can lead him to the tape in a hundred yard dash. As a shot putter, he has but one equal in the school. He's a big boy and with some more training he should be a star within a few years.



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CONSTANCE DE MASELLIS "Connie"

"Connie" came to us from Wakefield High this year. Her charming manner and pleasing disposition have won her many friends. Through faithfulness to her studies "Connie" has been a good student. Although she is no athlete herself, she is fond of all forms of athletics and has found numerous friends on our teams. We wish her much luck in any work she may undertake.



ETHEL EVELYN DESPIN "Red" "Strawberry Blonde"

Although Ethel has never entered any sports, she likes tennis and knows how to play except for hitting the ball, as she says. She also likes hiking. "Red" has a great love for nature, biology and nursing and has a great desire to be a sister to Florence Nightingale. She is minus the red-headed temper and is used to being called "Red". Her most outstanding feature is her sense of humor. Ethel will enter the Massachusetts General Hospital next year.



NATALIE MARIAN DILYOCK "Nat" "Nattie"

Masque and Wig (4); Plays, Pinaflore(2); Mikado (3); Winner of Prize Speaking Contest (3).

"Buddy" entered M. H. S. in the fall of 1923 from that far famed institution of learning, the D. W. Gooch Grammar School. Only a few weeks passed before her friendly attitude and delightful personality made her an outstanding member of the class of 1927. She is always smiling and ready to laugh at the slightest opportunity. She can be serious when the occasion demands, however. "Nat" is quite an orator, having won the first prize in the speaking contest during her junior year. "Buddy" isn't very fond of studying, for she is one of the happy-go-lucky members of the class.



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ARTHUR A. DONDERO "Art"

Physical Education Leader (2) (3).

Among the throng of "freshies" who entered M. H. S. in the fall of 1923 was found "Art" Dondero, then one of the alumni of the Gooch School. "Art" was a docile young chap, but soon became popular with the ladies. His favorite study is chemistry, and he is said to excel in this subject. Arthur has been in close competition for the "late-to-school" record, but he has fallen off this last quarter. He has very enticing ways and when he blushes he has everybody beaten by a wide margin. In fact, "Art" should be called the class blusher. One cannot overlook the record he has made at M. H. S. We trust "Art" will have the best of luck when he goes out into the world.

HELEN E. DOTY "Doty"

"School Life" (4) *School News Editor*; *Girls' Club* (2) (3) (4); *Chairman of Program Committee*; *Mask and Wig* (3) (4); *"Charm School"* (3), *"What Men Live By"* (4); *Traffic Squad* (3) (4).

"Doty" from her big blue eyes may seem to you to be innocent and demure, but please don't be misled by these outer signs. "Doty" won fame as an actress in her junior year as a young flapper in "The Charm School" where she showed her greatest asset, "charm", to perfection. "Doty" may daily be seen bossing the freshmen around at her station by 36, but sorry to say she is hard to find when the mighty seniors swarm down upon her. She is undecided as to her choice of career (she is so talented in all lines), but we certainly wish her all success in whatever it may be, whether teaching hockey players to dance or developing her art.



KATHERINE DOW "Kitty" "Kay"

Nuntius (2) *School News*; *Girls' Club* (4); *Physical Education Leader* (3).

Here is another attractive blonde member of the class of '27. At present, "Kitty" is resisting the call of the barber, and slowly but surely she is succeeding in letting her bob grow. She has a pleasing personality which has won for her numerous friends. Although she is kept busy with the movies and social activities, she still finds much time for one of those gentlemen who prefers blondes. "Kitty" will probably go to some higher institution of learning, but she is undecided as yet where it will be.

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DAVID DUBROFSKY "Dave" "Davie"

"Dave" is a good natured young fellow who hails from the Highlands, having passed his first eight years of schooling in the Franklin School district. He has been a hard working gentleman during the afternoons, and for this reason he has not been very active in athletics. However, we do remember the time when he ran for Mr. Sprague when our "Uncle Dud" slammed out a hit in a game between the faculty and a school team. "Dave" certainly bore a great responsibility that time. We haven't heard what "Dave" has in view for next year, but here's hoping he will be as popular and helpful as he has been here at M. H. S.



HARRY DUNLAY "Kid" "Count"

Orchestra (1) (2) (3) (4).

Harry came to this institution from the Gooch School. He is always smiling, and he is rarely seen walking. The class does not boast a better mechanic or one-hand driver. Harry's only weakness is a fondness for Somerville. He classes the young women of that city far above any in Melrose, but he says "There's a reason." Although Harry has not been prominent in athletics, he has made up in school spirit. Such a likeable fellow is sure to gain success.



HELEN LOUISE EASSON

Physical Education Leader (2) (3).

We all know Helen as a good pal, always cheerful and full of fun. We love her for the helpful kindness she is so willing to show to her schoolmates. Helen is a girl who has found in every dark cloud its silver lining. We will always remember her for her kind deeds and smiling face. What Helen is going to do in her future years we do not know, but whatever it is we know she will be successful.



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JOHN FALBY "Sticky" "Johnny"

Hi-Y Club (3) (4); Traffic Squad (4).

Since John entered M. H. S. in '23, he has grown both popular and extremely tall. The girls, fully as well as boys, appreciate his merry, laughing countenance. John has made his mark as a "regular fellow", always cheerful, even under shadow of afternoon sessions and 1 to 1.30's. After he studies a year at "prep" school he plans to enter Wesleyan College at Middletown, Conn. We know that wherever John goes he will be a credit to M. H. S.

VELMA FARRIN

Girls Club (3) (4).

We have in Velma a most pleasing puzzle. One never knows what she is going to do until she has done it. However, we have a little advance information this time. California won Velma's heart last summer and claims her this year forever. We don't blame the Sunny State for wanting this eastern beauty, nor can we censure Velma when we think of that Chrysler Sport awaiting her there. Prior to her departure Velma is petitioning the aldermen to change the name of our fair city to Melville.



EVELYN MAE FERNALD "Evey" "Spud"

Girls' Club (4).



Evelyn came to M. H. S. four years ago from Florida. During her high school career she has been rather quiet and has not taken part in many of the school activities. She is a willing worker and is always ready to help out when she can. Evelyn's specialty is the designing of clothes and the arranging of gardens; so she expects to enter some school where such work is taught.

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RICHARD W. FLANDERS "Dick"

Tennis (4).

"Dick" graduated from the Livemore School in '23 and that same year he entered Dummer Academy where he studied for one year. He entered M. H. S. in the sophomore class. He has been very successful in his studies. "Dick" also shows up well when it comes to distance running. Where he really shines, though, is at tennis. He was a runner-up in last year's tournament, and this spring he played on the school team which has been most successful.



VERONICA ANASTASIA FOLEY "Sonny" "Wonnie"

This smiling blonde is very popular among her classmates, and you can all see why. "Wonnie" has one fault, her persistent use of the phrase "and he" ("Andy"), but we all have our faults. "Wonnie" spends her spare time in Wakefield. She says she is going to waste shoe leather looking for a job. We all hope you will soon find a position, "Sonny," and remember we all wish you much happiness in the future.



VIRGINIA F. FRENCH "Ginnie" "Gin"

Year Book (4); Girls Club (3) (4); Masque and Wig (4).

"Ginnie" is certainly one of our most demure and piquant seniors. She is an artist of great note, and drawing prize posters is her pet diversion. Although "Ginnie" loves poster drawing she also likes silver money—Nichols preferred. "Ginnie" is going to attend Boston Normal Art next year in hopes that she may rise to great heights in her chosen work. Good luck "Ginnie." You have the best wishes of your classmates for a happy future.



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GLEN D. FULLER

Hi-Y Club (3) (4); Euclidean Society (4); Physical Education Leader (4); Football (4); Basketball (3) (4); Assembly Committee (4).

This good humored young husky, one of the "Three Musketeers" (Johnnie, Doug and Glen), hails from a small country town known as Orange, Mass. where he received his early schooling. He moved to Melrose to enter the freshman class at the "ol' brick pile." Glen is one of the class's most successful kidders and he has many victims (chiefly the weaker (?) sex). Glen has played on the football squad all four years and got his basketball letter for two years. His future plans are not yet formulated although he contemplates attending the Wentworth Institute.

ALMA M. GABRIEL "AP"

Euclidean Society (3) (4); Physical Education Leader (2) (3) (4).

Alma came to us from the Lincoln School from which she graduated in June 1923. Alma has found her time so taken up between her books and her boy friends that she could find no time for athletics. However, don't think Alma isn't a sport, for those who know her find that she is a good one. Alma doesn't know what she will do after graduation, but she will probably go to work until she meets the right man. Oh! sure, she will get married. She doesn't look like an old maid and although she says she never will get married, we bet she does. Every class has its Alma Mater, but every class isn't lucky enough to have an Alma Martha.



ANTHONY GIOVINO "Tony"

Class Treasurer (4); Year Book (4); Hi-Y Club (3) (4); Chairman Athletic Committee (4); Traffic Squad (4); Football (3) Captain (4); Baseball (3) (4); Basketball (3) (4),

Behold this "long drink of water", the young man who captained this year's championship football team. Since "Tony" came to high school from the Gooch, he has starred in all kinds of athletics, being a three letter man in football, basketball and baseball. As "guardian of the class funds" he has done another good job, and through his efforts the class treasury has been kept in good condition. "Tony" may look quiet in this picture, but he turned out to be one of the class "punners". "Cap's" happy following is not confined to the high school, as he is the hero of many youngsters at the Livermore School, where he plays traffic cop every day after school. Best wishes to "Cap," one of the best sports in '27.



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PAUL GNIRKE

French Club (4).

Paul has always been rather a quiet fellow in classes. He came to us from the famous Lincoln School. Paul says that French is one of his favorite studies and it would seem so, for he has been a member of the newly formed French Club this year. Incidentally we might mention the fact that for a time we thought he had deserted us, since he decided to leave M. H. S. this year, but after a short time he was back with us again. Next year Paul expects to be a working man and attend night school where he will have our best wishes for success.



GRETCHEN GROVESTEIN "Gretch"

Girls' Club (3) (4); Basketball (3) (4), Captain (4).

"Gretch" is quiet, but we must realize that she is always striving to keep her dignity. However, hard as she might try, she falters when she hears the numbers 86 to 6. This was the score of the first basketball game in her freshman year. Since then she has majored in basketball and this year, as captain, her efforts have kept the scores of the opposing teams considerably lower than in that first game. "Gretch" has won many friends because of her pleasant disposition, and we hope that she will gain many more as she continues her studies at Miss Pierce's Secretarial School.



EDITH A. HAINES "Edie" "Ede" Ed" "Hainesity" "Pickles"

Mayor of Civics Class (1).

Hello "Hainsie!" Aren't you thrilled? This little girl started her high school career in the fall of 1923, with a laugh and a chuckle, that never failing characteristic of good-natured "Edie." Probably this is the cause of her success in getting rides to and from school with a certain young man of the senior class who favors her with his admiring glances. Poor little "Edie" never misses a day of school unless she wishes to go to a fair or something of the like, when we perceive that she becomes suddenly ill. "Edie" has held certain positions of distinction such as reigning as Queen for three years in an organization of which she is a member, and also of holding the famous office of Mayor of the Civics Class in her freshman year.



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KENDALL BROOKS HARRIS "Ken" "Lulu"

Football (4); Baseball (2) (3) (4); Ice Hockey (3).

"Ken" has struggled through four strenuous years of high school with more interest in athletics than in studies. But he reached the honor mark in sports as a three letter man. Girls gaze upon our future movie hero. "Lulu" is following Red Grange's footsteps, for he juggles ice as a summer pastime. If "Lulu" goes into the cinema world, with his good looks and romantic personality, he will attain heights hitherto unimagined. At the present, however, it looks rather doubtful whether "Ken" will leave Melrose. A magnetic influence draws him continually to the East Side.

MILDRED J. HARRIS "Milly"

French Club (4); Orchestra (1) (2) (4).

"Milly" is one of our dignified members, especially as she is one of the very few who started to let their hair grow and had the courage to "stick". "Milly" plays a fiddle, sings and dances, and to those who know her well, she's a show in herself. This young woman plans to be a dignified "school marm" when her formal education is over. It's hard to imagine her in this role, but as she always finishes what she attempts, we are sure that in a few years from now, she'll be the domineering figure in one of these "little red schoolhouses". "Milly" is a member and officer of the Rainbow. There's lots more that could be said, but as space does not permit, we'll just wish "Milly" the best of luck in her chosen profession and in all other enterprises that she may undertake.



FLORENCE G. HASKELL "Fido"

Girls' Club (4); Bowling (Manager), (4).

Well here comes "Fido", the girl you'd know anywhere with that sweet smile. "Flossie" came to us in her freshman year from Girls' High. At first she was oh—so shy; but once she got started,—well,—you know her now. You can always recognize Florence; she's the M. H. S. girl with the million dollar smile. She is very active in Rainbow circles, filling a very important position. Those who know about her work, know that she performs her duties to a "T." We have heard it said that Florence may be a member of the Bryant and Stratton School next year. Well time does fly so we'll just have to leave Florence—still smiling!



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MARGARET FRANCES HATCH "Peggy" "Red"

Physical Education Leader (1); Bowling (4); Librarian (4).

Behold! "Peggie" Hatch, one of our popular, ambitious, and lively classmates. "Peg" has the distinction of being a pretty strawberry blonde and is noted for her amusing ways. "Peggie" is one of the many who have signed up for the Masque and Wig, but she has not had a chance to show her talent in dramatics as yet. "Peggie" was on the bowling team for a while, but her unfortunate illnesses were such that she could not continue. If "Peg" will continue to be as ambitious in the life ahead we shall be very proud to claim her from Melrose High.



MARION ELIZABETH HILLS "Manny"

Girls' Club (4); Masque and Wig (2) (3) (4).

Marion may be one of our more quiet members, but she has succeeded in becoming the third member of The Unholy Three. Marion has two outstanding talents. One is her ability as a dancer. Although she is very modest, she was soon found out during her freshman year and has since danced at several of the school functions. The other, the one she intends to follow, is her art. With her natural skill and Miss Coyle's able direction, Marion has turned out many very fine posters. This talent, as well as the other, has extended far beyond the "old brick pile." Next year Marion intends to enter Vesper George School to continue her art work.



EMILY B. HODSDON

Girls' Club (2) (3) (4).

Nothing worries Emily whether it is flunking an examination or being hauled to court for parking the "Mud Flivver" without lights. She never worries because she knows that in the end every thing will be all right. Her perpetual smile, which is well known to her classmates, solves many of her difficulties. Her good nature has won for her many friends. Emily, be it known, is our "Picture of Health."



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ROBERT HUCKINS "Bob" "Huck"

Hi-Y Club (4); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4); *Tennis* (3) (4); *Assembly Committee* (4).

Here we have another "regular feller" of the class of '27. "Bob" is always full of fun and ready with a humorous remark. Coming from the Franklin School he has set up a good scholastic record in Melrose High. But he "shines" best as a player of Mlle. Lenglen's favorite pastime, in which he is second to none. This is his second season on the school team. Although not one of the real ladies' men of the class "Bob" has been seen occasionally in other than masculine company. Next year he plans to attend Exeter Academy and then enter that popular college in Hanover, N. H.

DOROTHY L. HUSE "Dimpy" "Dot"

Girls' Club (3) (4); *Orchestra* (1) (2) (3) (4).

"Dimpy" is short for "Dimple", and she is such a cheerful little body that the name is well applied. Those lovely natural waves are the envy of all us poor females afflicted with straight, lanky hair. Dimpy's talents run along musical lines and she is particularly skillful in the use of the fiddle and bow. Besides being a member of our own high school orchestra, Dimpy is in the Melrose Orchestral Association, an honor to make any one proud.



MILDRED HUTCHINSON "Hooch" "Milly" "Moo-Moo"

Who is there in the class of '27 who will forget the good-natured "Milly" who has smiled and smiled, taken afternoon sessions and afternoon sessions, and continues to smile? Even the teachers will agree that four years of such sessions have not dulled that smile. Milly has a most agreeable disposition. There is one and only one way to get her cross. Say something about her favorite teacher. Say it, but prepare for action. There is one thing that "Milly" thinks less of than a boy. That is two boys. She seems to be able to tolerate one, however, if his name happens to be the same as hers. Mildred intends to become a stenographer and if her future may be judged by her past she is sure to be a success.



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ROBERT L. HUTCHINSON "Hutchie" "Bob"

Radio Club (1); Euclidean Society (4); Junior Board of Alderman (1); "Pinafore" (2) "Mikado" (3); Physical Education Leader (1) (2) (3) (4); Gym Team (1).

"Bob" came from the Washington School in 1923, and for the first two years he was a star member of the gym team. Although "Hutchie" is small in size, he made himself known to the entire school, especially to certain members of the faculty. In room 51 Bob greatly delighted in showing his namesake how to determine the horse power of a donkey engine. "Hutch" made his mark on the basketball team in his senior year. "Bob" hasn't decided what he will do next year but we feel that he is the kind of fellow that will succeed in whatever he undertakes.



GERALDINE FRANCES IDE "Gerry" "Joy"

"School Life" (4); Year Book (4); Girls' Club (2) (3) (4); Junior Prom Committee (3); "Charm School" (3); Traffic Squad (4); Physical Education Leader (2), Supervisor (3); Field Hockey (2) (3) (4), Captain (4).

Four years ago Melrose High received a very demure little girl from the Mary A. Livermore School. However, her blonde hair and winning smile won the hearts of all, and she soon became one of our most popular girls. During this last year, she acquired fame through her valiant leadership as field hockey captain. But this is not the only line in which "Gerry" is talented. In addition to the fine work she has done on the Junior Prom Committee and in the various organizations, "Gerry" is one of our honor students, whose cards are covered with A's and B's. She plans to take up the study of music as her future vocation and we know that with the wonderful ability she now shows, she is certain to be a famed musician.



LEON K. JOHNSON "Lee" "Curly"

Boys' Debating Club (2); Radio Club (1); Physical Education Leader (1) (2) (3) (4).

Here we have one of our leading exponents of the "Charleston" and "Black Bottom." Ever since we first knew "Lee" he has been a dancer, and he gains more fame in this line every year. He is one of the best natured fellows in the class, and his sunny smile is a welcome sight anywhere. During his freshman year he was a member of the late-lamented Radio Club and the next year we found him listed among the argumentative gentlemen who call themselves the Debating Club. Carry that sunny smile wherever you go, "Curly", and you will be sure to make many friends along your path of life.



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ROBERT J. JOHNSON "Red"

Hi-Y Club (4); Masque and Wig (4); Physical Education Leader (3) (4); Football (4).

"Red" is an active member of our class. He has always been a hard working candidate for athletic honors, and this last year he earned his football letter as an end on the championship eleven. Last winter we found that he was a budding orator, for he gave us all some good entertainment when he recited "The Admiral's Ghost." "Red" is always cheerful and with his happy smile, cheery laugh and flaming hair, he is always a bright spot on the horizon.

THOMAS B. KEADY "Tom"

Hi-Y (3) (4); Traffic Squad (4); Football (3) (4); Baseball (4); Basketball (3) (4), Captain (4).

In the year 1925 a chap who is now well known in our athletic circles, came to M. H. S. from Burlington, Vermont. This good sportsman is our own Thomas Keady. He immediately showed the football fans his skill in rushing and kicking the pigskin and obtained a position on the team which he held for his two years at M. H. S. But "Tom" is a boy of surprises. Football was not the only sport in which he was a leading participant. He also showed his skill in playing basketball and, moreover, starred as the leader of the club his senior year. Still another surprise awaited us when this last year "Tom" stepped out and gained his place on the baseball nine. He plans to go to prep school and then to college, where we know that "Tom" will be a success, for he is such an all-around, good natured fellow.



RUTH T. KEAY "Rudy" "Ruthie" "Tillie"

Girls' Club (4); French Club (4).

Ruth is always up in her studies and at the head of her class. She is ever ready to laugh at a joke, and no matter where, why or under what circumstances, if there is anything humorous said or done in her presence she just has to laugh. "Rudy," with her dark, luxurious, babified curls, came from Reading in her freshman year, doubtlessly leaving many friends behind. She entered Melrose High and during her four years here, she has made scores of friends and is considered by everyone to be an all around good companion.



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MURIEL L. KEMP

Girls' Club (3) (4); *Masque and Wig* (4); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4); *Secretary* (4); *French Club* (4); *"Mikado"* (3).

We all know what a conscientious student Muriel has been during the past four years. Her report cards with their rows of A's tell the story. Her recitations and well prepared work have made many pleasant moments in our various classes. Though Muriel is apparently quiet and serious, her more intimate friends have discovered her sense of humor and her originality. These good qualities have endeared her to us, and we all feel that

"The better we know her,
The better we like her."

ETHEL THELMA KIDD "Captain" "Kid"

Nuntius (2); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4); *Treasurer* (4); *"Mikado"* (3); *Physical Education Leader* (4).

Ethel has been one of our most modest young ladies during her four years' stay here—perhaps because she was busy attending to her own work outside. However, she is a serious thinker, and her poem in *"School Life"*, *"Hints to Freshmen,"* held good advice. She is a star member of the famous *"Ell Pond Gang"* and is a certified life saver of the A. R. C. She is also a member of the Boston Swimming Association and the N. E. A. A. U. She hopes to become a secretary. Well, if she does it as well as she kept the Euclidean treasury she'll be a sure success.



ELIZABETH F. KING "Betty"

Mayor of Civics Class (1); *Girls' Club* (4); *Masque and Wig* (4); *Euclidean Society* (4); *French Club* (4); *"Mikado"* (3); *Orchestra* (4); *Class Bowling Team* (4).

"Betty" is not what one might call a flapper, and we love her all the more for this reason. Her quiet, unassuming ways have won her a place in many hearts. She is one of our best students and seems to get her lessons without any trouble. "Betty" is an active member in many of the school clubs. Besides playing both the violin and piano very well, she writes poetry. Betty wants to be a dietician, so she is going to take up Home Economics at Simmons next year. This certainly will prepare her for what she is most likely to do in the future.



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ARTHUR FRANCIS KITTREDGE, JR.

Radio Club (1) (2), *Vice-President* (2); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4), *Vice-President* (4); *Traffic Squad* (4); *Physical Education Leader* (1) (2) (3) (4).

Arthur Kittredge, the gentleman professor of worldly knowledge, migrated from that little red building in Franklin Square, so appropriately situated in his advance to this beloved "Alma Mater." He received the very striking name of "Goggles" early in his educational career. The "vice-president" is an apt student of chemistry and especially learned in the subject of ultra-violet rays. Arthur is one of our class woman-haters. Although he has not been an athlete or even one of our popular members, we wish him the best of luck as a chemist and psychologist.

HARRY KOPFMAN

Hi-Y Club (4); *Boys' Debating Club* (3) (4); *Secretary* (4); *Masque and Wig* (4); *Euclidean Society* (4).

Harry, an exceedingly clever chap, entered Melrose High in his sophomore year from Ridgefield Park High, New Jersey. The "Late" Harry is particularly noted for his unfailing smiles and pleasing ways. Although Harry's name isn't on the sport pages, we are always sure to find it in the dramatic news. We wish him the best of luck during his college years and in later life.



ANNA M. LASERSON "Ann"

Physical Education Leader (2) (4).

We all know when "Ann" is in the room because she seems to be the center of attraction, especially in whispering. She always has something interesting to talk about. Without Ann, school would be a dull place. If fun is afoot, one may be sure that this member of the class is in the midst of it. We envy her air of innocence, which she assumes when a teacher invites her to take an afternoon session. "Ann" blankly inquires, "Why?" with excellent results. She intends to take a course at Burdett. Lots of success, Ann.



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DOROTHY C. LEAVY "Dot" "Dottie"

"Dot" has decided to be a first rate stenographer. Who knows? Some day she may be private secretary to the president or Henry Ford. Although "Dot" has not joined any of the school clubs, she has nevertheless, been very much interested in them. Her favorite pastime is dancing, especially because it keeps her "slim", "Dot's" chief ambition.



AUSTIN GEORGE LEDWITH "Austie"

"School Life" (4); Hi-Y Club (3) (4); Boys' Debating Club (1) (2); Radio Club (1); Euclidean Society (3) (4) Football Manager (4).

It is a well known fact that "Austie" and the word "fun" are synonymous. Throughout his high school career "Austie" has been a well known member of the class. In his junior year he did a fine piece of work as assistant football manager, and as a result he was manager in his senior year. It has been rumored that "Austie" will go into (monkey) business when he completes his education, but he really intends to develop his musical talents. "Austie" sure can "tickle the ivories" as he proved to us when leading the "Chinatown Boys" at the Junior Valentine Hop. "Austie" intends to prepare for Dartmouth at Exeter Academy. Watch out, Paul Whiteman!



DOROTHY B. LEES "Dot"

Class Secretary (3); Girls' Club (2) (3) (4); Pro and Con Treasurer (1) (2); Euclidean Society (3) (4); French Club (4); Sophomore Dance Committee (2); Junior Prom Committee (3); Traffic Squad (4); Physical Education Leader (3); Cheer Leader (4); Bowling (4).

Allow us to present 5 feet 3 inches of sunshine, one who has a cheerful smile and a hearty greeting for everyone. During this past season "Dot" led the cheering section, and she certainly was full of action from start to finish. She is also the official class giggler. Whether a thing is really funny or not, you can be perfectly sure that she, at least, can see something humorous in it to laugh about. "Dot" is very fond of dancing. All in all, she is a girl well worth knowing, or as Jacques Renard puts it, "For you know a friend in need is a true friend indeed. Just call on me." And you may be sure she will help you out.



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BEATRICE L. LIBBY "Bee"

Nuntius (2), *Business Manager*; "*Pinafore*" (2); "*Mikado*" (3); *Class Basketball* (4); *Tennis* (1) (2) (3) (4), *Captain* (4); *Gym Team* (2); *Thrift Council* (4).

Another member of the graduating "Libby Trio." Everyone knows "Bee". Her pleasing personality and sociability play a major part in her friendships. She has been an ardent tennis player on the team for four years. She has fond hopes of becoming a second Helen Wills or a Suzanne Lenglen. "Bee" also plays basketball. We wish her much luck in her undertaking at B. U. and her vocation-to-be, that of a private secretary.

CARMEN BELEN LIBBY

"*Mikado*" (3); *Librarian* (4).

Carmen, a charming little senorita with lovely black eyes, came to Melrose from Panama and entered M. H. S. as a freshman. Carmen brought with her from Panama many enticing Spanish customs and one of these has made her known as "the girl with the rose in her hair." She is a willing helper and, although she has not taken part in many school activities, she is always ready to do her bit.



STELLA IRENE LIBBY "Stell" "Estel"

"*Mikado*" (3).

"Stell" came from Panama in 1923, ready for four arduous years of schooling. Before this she attended the Ancon Canal Zone school. She possesses a pair of mischievous eyes and a becoming blush. She is an excessive talker and the source of many original and clever sayings. "Stell" surely can tickle the keys both on the piano and on the typewriter. Also we find that she exercises her vocal cords in a musical way. "Stell" contemplates a private secretary, and we hope that she will succeed in whatever she may undertake.



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JOHN M. LILLY "Johnny"

"School Life" (4); Year Book (4); Physical Education Leader (2) (3) (4); Gym Team (2) (3).

John is a go-getter. Everything he takes hold of just has to start moving. "Johnny" was the only freshman to make his track letter. When in his senior year his Personals Department has put the life in "School Life". "Highlights" has claimed much of his time, for he is the mainstay of the advertising staff. Outside of school he has been busy working and beside this, he is a leader in the De Molay. Helpfulness and pep with a liberal portion of humor are "Johnny's" chief characteristics and they are sure to lead him far along the road to success.



WARREN DAVID LOCKWOOD

Hi-Y Club (4); "Pinafore" (2); "Mikado" (3); Orchestra (1) (2) (3) (4); Track (3); Cross Country (4).

Warren's specialties are violin playing and running. As a musician he has been one of the leading members of the high school orchestra which has gained such form during the past four years. He started running under the direction of Coach Morrison in his sophomore year. All that year and the next he practised faithfully so that at the end of last season he won his letter as a distance man. Last fall he starred on the cross-country team and this spring we saw him do good work on the Melrose A. C. team and the Boston to Providence race. Keep up the faithful work, Warren and you will be sure to succeed.



VIOLA M. LOEFFLER "Vi"

Although "Vi" has never taken part in any of the school activities, she is, nevertheless, one of their strongest supporters. Of the school sports, football is her favorite, while the debating organization is her preference among the clubs. She finds almost as much pleasure in a good debate as she does in going to the movies, and "Vi" is a great "movie fan". Like the noted Siamese twins, "Vi" and her best chum, a graduate of '26, are practically inseparable. Like this chum of hers, Viola has plans for entering the stenographic field where we trust she will have much success.



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DANA LOVELL

Hi-Y Club (3) (4); *Masque and Wig* (4); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4); *French Club* (4).

Dana, a very modest young man, has been preparing for the last four years to enter college. However, he plans first to go to prep school for a year. He has been a most honorable fellow, a credit to the Hi-Y Club of which he has been a member for two years. The credit list has contained his name many times. Much is expected of Dana, but most of all we trust him to carry high the good name of M. H. S. and the class of '27.

CAROLYN P. MacDONALD "Cal"

Girls' Club (4); *"Pinafore"* (2).

Carolyn entered M. H. S. in 1922 as a member of the class of 1926. In the middle of her junior year a great catastrophe occurred, for "Cal" was taken seriously ill with pneumonia which caused her to miss several weeks of school, the final result being that she was obliged to repeat her junior year. But "Cal" was magnificently rewarded for this misfortune by returning to school the next term with her head covered with a mass of curls, which were the cause of many envious looks. Although "Cal" is one of the smallest in the class of 1927, she also ranks as one of the prettiest.



CHARLES W. MAHAN

"Charlie" entered M. H. S. in 1922 and continued his quest for knowledge until January 1925, at which time he left our venerable institution of learning that he might take up tool making and machine work at the Somerville Trade School. However, he soon missed the old sights of his former haunts, and the following September found him enrolled as a member of the Class of '27, M. H. S. Next year "Charlie" is going to Northeastern to take a course in electrical engineering.

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HENRY MacBRAIRTY "Harry" "Duke"

This popular young fellow is a graduate of St. Mary's, and since he came to high school, he has been outstanding in many lines. It is rumored that he likes to study and that he absorbs learning like a sponge. "Duke" has our best wishes for a very successful career, and we know that during the next few years he is sure to bring honor to M. H. S.



MARY FRANCES MCCARTHY

Girls' Club (4); "Pinafore" (2); Band (4); Orchestra (4).

The first member of "The Unholy Three"! Among the education seekers who entered M. H. S. four years ago was one fair maiden who had the distinction of possessing unshorn locks. Not only that, but she is one of the few who still possess them.—congratulations! Besides being a drummer of distinction she has the art of giggling down to perfection. Mary intends to further her education at Bridgewater Normal and then to become a teacher. We certainly envy her future pupils.



HELEN J. McCLINTOCK

Girls' Club (4); Physical Education Leader (3).

Since her freshman days Helen's ready smile and "cheerio" have made her welcome wherever she goes. She has always been a hearty supporter of athletics and it is not often she misses a game. Among her accomplishments, Helen's artistic ability is to be admired, as anyone will testify who has seen some of her snappy posters. Outside of school activities, she is especially interested in scout work, and a dandy scout she is. Helen is headed for normal school, and we are sure that she will make good there, because a happy disposition, friendly way, and ample intelligence always bring success.



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ROBERT MACLYN McCRAE "Mac"

Mayor of Civics Class (1); Hi-Y (3) (4); Boys' Debating Club (1) (2); Traffic Squad (4); Tennis Manager (3) (4).

Looks like a grind, don't you think so? Not a bit of it. "Mac" has been in everything from the start to the finish. His first achievement was the mayorship of his Civics Class in the freshman year. He was a capable mayor, wisely steering his division through the distressing turmoil of politics and legislation, the most important work of which was the construction of a zoning map of the thriving metropolis of Melrose. "Mac's" second year was devoted to an arduous pursuit of his studies. Being a homey sort of person, "Mac" has not attended one social function, but his smiling countenance has been seen among those of the Debating and the Hi-Y clubs. In the spring of 1926 "Mac" was chosen from a multitude of juniors to pilot the tennis team. The season was a huge success, and once more "Mac" has been chosen manager for the team, now a member of the new league.

EUPHEMIA B. McDONELL "Dede"

"School Life" (4); Girls' Club (2) (3) (4); Traffic Squad (4).

Here is one of the best-natured girls in our class. She is always happy, and oh so busy! Although she has not taken part in athletics, a great deal of her time is taken up by "School Life", "Rainbow," and the Traffic Squad; but, then, a good-natured girl is always in demand. All those who know "Dede" know also that R. O. D. stands for more than just "rod"! "Dede" expects to attend Katherine Gibbs' School next year, and, although her many friends will miss her, we wish her the best of luck.



HOWARD McHUGH "Howie" "Mac"

Year Book (4); Hi-Y (2); Traffic Squad (4); Football (3) (4); Baseball (1) (2) (3) (4); Ice Hockey (2) (3) (4), Captain (4).



For four years "Howie" has played an important role in Melrose High, shining brilliantly in both athletic and social activities. During his entire high school career he has been a member of the baseball team, for three years he has guarded the net for the hockey team, and during his junior and senior years he proved his worth in football. In recognition of "Mac's" sterling work during the past winter, he was chosen All-Scholastic goal-tender by the coaches of the Suburban League. He received honorable mention from several papers last fall for his work at center on the football team, and he played an important part in bringing the Mystic Valley football championship to Melrose for the first time in several years. Of all his achievements, he is perhaps most proud of the fact that his name appeared on the credit list—once. "Mac" is going to Worcester Academy next year, where he is sure to meet with as much success as he has at Melrose High.

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JOHN V. McKOWN, Jr. "Baby-Face"

Hi-Y (3) (4); *Masque and Wig* (3) (4); *Euclidean Society* (4); *Stage Manager*, "What Men Live By", "Wisdom Teeth"; (4); *Traffic Squad* (4); *Football* (3) (4); *Class Basketball* (3).

John, one of the school's most popular athletes, may at first impress you as a quiet, bashful chap, but only at first. John, slow to frown and quick to smile, well deserves the popularity he enjoyed in Malden and Quincy for his first two years of high school and in Melrose for his last two. He has shown us his ability in football for two years on the varsity team, in basketball on the junior team when he helped "clean up" the faculty, and in the dance hall when he keeps time to the syncopated offerings of the tunesters. John, the man, will certainly be a success with the "go-get-'em" and "stick-to-'em" qualities, the extraordinary affability, and the keen wit which has made him such a success in school.



MURIEL B. McLEAN "Mew" "Moo"

Behold! we see this sweet little miss, only knee-high to a grasshopper, striving bravely against the upper classmen's petty jokes. Many times has she looked in vain for the escalator and gone to the third floor in search of room twenty. "Moo" held her own in "Mac's" Civic Class when she became an Alderman-at-Large, taking charge of the class every Friday. We may see a mighty politician in the person of "Mew"—who knows? She willingly supplied the homework for certain unprepared classmates. Spanish was her specialty. If she doesn't become a politician "Moo" will more than likely teach Spanish, as she is planning to go to normal school.

OLIVE EDITH MEANS "Olie"

Girls' Club (3) (4); *Masque and Wig* (4); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4); *French Club* (4); *Ancient History Play* (2); *Mikado* (3); *Traffic Squad* (4); *Librarian* (3) (4).

Four years ago Olive entered High from the Washington School. She has been outstanding in her career as one of the few girls who did not cut their hair. Although she likes the bob, she could not make up her mind to cut off her chestnut curls. Olive is not always as serious as this picture would make you think, for it is her happy smile and pleasing personality that have won her hosts of friends. She has decided to go to normal school, and we sincerely hope she has success in her future work. We will certainly miss her because she is always like the flowers of which she is so fond, lovely and sweet.



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M. BEATRICE MILLANE "Bea"

Librarian (4).

"Bea" was born in Revere in 1908. She spent most of her life in that famous summer resort and came to our fair city to enter Melrose High in her sophomore year. We didn't know "Bea" very well last year, for she seemed to keep herself in the background, but 't' is year things have been different. "Bea" seems to be everywhere at once and always has that roguish smile on her rosy cheeks. Her fine personality and her sparkling wit make her very popular, especially as a librarian which position she has held in our school library for the past year. We wish her best of luck, and who knows but next year we will find her as a secretary in the Malden Gas Company!

ELEANOR MILLER "Ellie"

Girls' Club (3) (4); Physical Education Leader (4); Field Hockey (4).

Although "Ellie" first came to Melrose High School as a junior, a blithe and buxom country lass from Concord, N. H., it did not take her long, with her winning personality, to make a multitude of friends, both boys and girls. She proved her ability as an athlete by playing goal on the field hockey team in her senior year. Wherever there is a dance you are sure to find "Ellie" surrounded by many would-be partners. She admits that, next to dancing, her favorite pastime is riding in a Ford roadster, which, of course, accounts for the one we see parked in front of her house every afternoon. "Ellie" has made no definite plans for next year, but seems to think that a course in Home Economics would be very interesting.



KENNETH B. MOREHEAD "Ken"

Football (3) (4); "Moo-Goo No Star" Basketball Team (3); Ice Hockey (3).

"Ken" has become famous for being able to use more unusual words correctly when he does not know their meanings than any other person ever to walk the corridors of Melrose high. The faculty has abandoned all hope of ever truthfully knowing whether the recitations he makes are correct or not. He is an excellent all-round athlete, and has participated in football, hockey, track and tennis. "Ken" has the qualities, both physical and mental, which lead to success, and we all wish him luck in the future.



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CHARLES S. MORRISON "Sandy"

Radio Club (1); Euclidean Society (3) Junior Board of Alderman (1); Traffic Squad (4); Class Basketball (3); Class Track (3); Tennis Tournament (4); Gym team (1) (2).

Charles "Sandy" Morrison came to us from St. Anslem's Prep in October, 1923. He has successfully completed his four years in the "old brick pile" and is now ready to help turn the wheels of progress. "Sandy" wants to be a mining engineer and had the school all picked out, but he is going to wait till his "ship comes in". We have heard that he is going West where the coyotes howl, but he won't stay long. How do we know he won't stay? Sandy has been sweet on a certain girl on Washington Street and unless he moves Washington Street out west we don't think he will stay long. Best of luck, Sandy, but be careful out there in the "wild and wooly West."



DOROTHY E. NEVILLE "Dot" "Dimples"

Girls' Club (4); Masque and Wig (4).

Dot came here in her freshman year from Concord High, N. H. It is said there have been times when she wasn't talking, but they are few and far between. For all that, Dot is one of the best natured girls imaginable and proves to be a fine friend. She is in constant dread of becoming stout, so she walks a great deal, especially at "Don". She is planning to go into training at the Massachusetts General Hospital in the fall.



RUSSELL W. NICHOLS "Russ" "Nick" "Punner"

"School Life" Circulation Manager (4); Year Book Business Staff (4); Hi-Y Club (2) (3) (4); Corresponding Secretary (3); Treasurer (4); Radio Club (1) (2); Vice President (1); Class Day Committee (4); Traffic Squad (4); Ice Hockey Manager (4).

Puns, puns, puns! That's his name, business and pastime. "Russ" is known everywhere by his good humor, and as one who has "possessed and maintained a Ford" (that probably explains how he can stand so much!) "Nick" has also proven himself quite an artist by winning a prize in a state wide contest. He has done well as manager of hockey and guardian of Hi-Y funds during the past year. Russell is an apt "French" student (not the language). He intends to continue at school and his many friends see a brilliant future for him.



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DOROTHEA B. NORWOOD "Dot"

"Dot," who is one of the littlest and liveliest members of our class, is well known in M. H. S. for her ability to talk and laugh. Because of her peppy personality and happy-go-lucky disposition she is very popular with all her classmates. Her favorite pastimes are tennis, dancing and skating. Dot intends to go to work next year and be some lucky person's typist. We wish her every success. And, oh yes, she's another blonde that gentlemen prefer.

ROBERT A. NOYES "Bob"

Hi-Y (2) (3) (4); *Boys' Debating Club* (2) (3); *Radio Club* (1); *Masque and Wig* (2) (3) (4); *Stage Electrician* (4);; *"What Men Live By,"* *"Wisdom Teeth,"* (4) *"Mikado"* (3); *Properties, Half Back Sandy* (2); *The Goose Hangs High* (4).

"Bob" is the kind of a fellow who is interested in everything. Since his freshmen days when he was a willing worker on the famous zoning map, he has taken part in many worthy projects. The Hi-Y received his services for two years, during which time he worked on the Appreciation Banquet committees and served as stage manager for "Halfback Sandy." This latter position aroused his interest in stage work, and ever since he has served on the properties committees of the Masque and Wig when that organization put on its plays. His latest service in this line was as stage electrician of "The Goose Hangs High." Good luck, Bob, and keep working.



RUTH ELIZABETH PADDOCK

"Duckie" "Paddy" "Ruthie"

Girls' Club (3) (4); *Chairman Welfare Committee* (4); *French Club* (4); *"Pinafore"* (2), *"Mikado"* (3).

Ruth came to Melrose High from the Gooch School, as a "green freshie" with pigtails. Because she is one of the jolly girls of our class, wherever she is there's sure to be a smile. Moreover, because she is always ready to help and knows how to handle things, she's a busy person. During the past year Ruth has done excellent work as chairman of the Welfare Committee of the Girls' Club in sending cards or remembrances to those members of the school who have been sick. We all wish her success in nursing and hope she'll keep up her reputation as a reviver.



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LESTER C. PEABODY "Let"

Hi-Y (4).

Lester Peabody, known to his friends as "Let," entered this institution of learning with the lofty ambition of taking the college course. As he continued he became interested in various activities outside of school, especially in the tree surgery line. At the present time he spends his summers practicing this work. As for the future, time will tell, but we know that a fellow of "Let's" type never gets left.



FREDERICK C. PECK "Fred" "Peckie"

Boys' Debating Club (2); Euclidean Society (4); Thrift Council (1) (2) (3) (4).

Frederick Peck is one of the well-known members of our class. He has always been a worker, and we feel, therefore, that in whatever occupation he finds himself he will be a success. We understand that he is interested in electrical engineering. Fred has been one of our bankers during his whole course. During the last year he has taken an active part in the Euclidean Society and has done good work as chairman of the Botany Committee.



KENNETH L. PETERSON "Minnie"

Junior Board of Alderman (1); "Mikado" (3).

"Minnie" is one of our very studious classmates. We understand that he does a prodigious amount of studying every night, and it is certain that the results thereof are evident in class the next day. He has a great many ideas of his own, the proposal of which lend considerable interest to his classes. "Ken" spends a large part of his time in the Melrose Public Library where he is ever in search of new ideas pertaining to architecture, a subject of considerable interest to him. Next year "Minnie" is going to prep school and then on to college.



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DOROTHY PIKE "Dot"



"School Life" (3) (4); *Girls' Club* (4); *Masque and Wig* (1) (2) (3); *Vice President* (4); *Euclidean Society* (4); *Sophomore Dance Committee* (2); *"The Dragon"* (1) *"A Dangerous Experiment"* *"Ancient History Play"* (2); *Band* (4); *Drum Major; Orchestra* (1) (2) (3) (4); *Traffic Squad* (4); *Physical Education Leader* (2) (3); *Supervisor* (4); *M. H. S. Quintet, Radio, Conductor* (3).

"Dot" is our most talented member and the busiest girl in M. H. S. You can see from her list of activities that she has had few spare moments during her high school years. And that list does not tell half the story, for she has been just as busy outside of school. Her versatility is remarkable; she has a reputation as a musician, as a student, as a poet, as an actor and as a cook, some list of accomplishments for one young lady. "School Life" is never complete without at least one of "Dot's" poems or "Sew-it Seams" columns. And then there was the band, one of "Dot's" dreams for M. H. S. On Thanksgiving morning the ever cheerful "Dot" appeared on the Athletic Field leading a newly formed band, organized and trained under her direction, and it certainly was a success. We expect great things from you later on, Dot!

PHYLLIS E. PINGREE "Phil"

Girls' Club (3) (4); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4); *French Club* (4); *"Mikado"* (3).

Although Phyllis seems like a very quiet girl to many of her friends, she is just full of fun as her picture indicates. She always has a friendly smile for every one and she is very thoughtful. All her school years have been spent here in Melrose. This year she was the only girl in a chemistry class. Phyllis, being rather bashful, often said how glad she would be to get out of the class. Next year, however, she need have no fear of being in such a predicament, for she plans to enter Radcliffe where we hope she will have as good a record as in M. H. S.



GORDON E. PIPE "Speed" "T. D." "Puns" "Jo"

Class President (2) (3) (4); *Mayor of Civics Class* (1); *Nuntius Editor-in-Chief* (2); *"School Life" Business Manager* (4); *Year Book* (4); *Hi-Y* (2) (3) (4); *President* (4); *Junior Board of Aldermen, President* (1); *Sophomore Dance Committee* (2); *Junior Prom Committee Chairman* (3); *Class Day Committee Chairman* (4); *Traffic Squad Supervisor* (3); *Captain* (4); *Physical Education Leader* (1) (2); *Football* (4); *Baseball* (3) (4); *Basketball* (3) (4).

Gordon has had a wonderful record in M. H. S. Three times he has been elected president of our class, and each year he has done a better job. He was chairman of the committee that put on the best Prom that M. H. S. ever saw. Under his capable guidance, the Hi-Y has carried out a large number of big projects. Melrose received a great honor when Gordon was elected president of the State Hi-Y conference at Lowell last December, a distinction never before accorded a Melrose boy. "Jo" is a three letter man in football, basketball and baseball, of which the latter is his favorite sport. But best of all is Gordon—the boy. He is a true friend in every sense of the word. To those who have worked with him, he has been a real helper and comrade ever to be remembered. What Melrose loses, Dartmouth gains.



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MARJORIE POLLARD "Marge"

Girls' Club (4); Orchestra (4); Basketball (3) (4).

When "Marge" came to M. H. S. as an innocent little "freshie," she was so impressed by her ability to get into high school that she deemed it far beneath her to whisper. But she has recovered from this feeling and now, if she is lost, her mamma calls up the afternoon discipline session to see if her angelic (?) daughter is there. (Nearly always she is.) "Marge" objects to being called "red-head." Her hair really is of that color commonly called auburn, but she insists that it is brown. She prefers a "Bob" so her hair is not in long tresses.



DONALD POTTLE "Don"

Euclidean Society (4); Junior Board of Aldermen (1).

"Don" is the smallest member of the class of '27. Many times he has been mistaken for a lower classman. He is one of the small number of womenhaters of our class. We expect to hear that "Don" is a C. P. A. later as he is one of Mr. Dahl's prodigies in Bookkeeping (if not in Law). "Don's" stature hinders him from being a varsity letter man, but he helps the teams by being one of its staunch supporters. "Don" has not decided as yet if he will continue his education in some business institution or battle forth in the business world.



MELVILLE EDWIN PRIOR "Mel"

Mayor of Civics Class (1); Hi-Y (2) (3) (4); Radio Club (1) (2); Junior Board of Aldermen (second half year) (1); Orchestra (1) (2); Traffic Squad (4).

As a popular and well known member of the class of '27, "Mel" ranks with the first. He is one of those individuals who thinks a lot but says little. He has several times displayed his musical talents by organizing and conducting an orchestra for our various school dances. Since he has had more or less experience with Ford machinery, he expects to further his mechanical education at Northeastern University. "Mel" has been one of the most active members of the Hi-Y during the three years he has been a member of the club, and it is with the best wishes of its members that he leaves M. H. S.



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LYDIA PULLO "Lily"

Lydia has not been with us long, for she first came to us from the big beach city, Revere, in her senior year. Not all of us know her, for she is very quiet and demure, but those of us who do, know that she is a first class housekeeper, for a youngster (even if she is small) and a thorough good sport.

LENA CHARLOTTE RAPP

"Pinafore" (2); *Bowling* (4).

Although Lena has not been prominent in any of the activities in M. H. S., there are few who do not know her. Lena and "Dede" Sewell are always together; in fact, they might well be called the "Class Inseparables". Lena is full of pep and always looks for fun, but she can also be quiet and dignified. She is a very good student, well-liked by both teachers and classmates. Lena was one of the happy pupils who came from the Franklin Grammar School four long years ago. We all know she must have been missed up there, because she continually returns to the old school or to the Roosevelt where many of her former teachers are now located.



AGNES E. REARDON "Aggie" "Ag"

Girls' Club (3) (4); *Masque and Wig* (3) (4); *Orchestra* (3); *Traffic Squad* (4); *Physical Education Leader* (1); *Class Basketball* (3) (4); *Field Hockey* (4).

Everyone knows and likes "Aggie". During the first half of her life at M. H. S. "Aggie" was an altogether different type of girl. And then she got her hair bobbed! Not content with being one of the most popular girls in school, "Aggie" showed her prowess on the athletic field by winning her letter in field hockey. If musicians received letters for their accomplishments, "Aggie" would sport still another letter for her ability to play the trumpet. Next year "Aggie" intends to step out into the cruel business world.



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KENNETH BRUCE REED "Ken" "Kenny"

Hi-Y (2) (3) (4); Boys' Debating Club (1); Radio Club (1) (2); Masque and Wig (3) (4); President (4); Junior Board of Aldermen (1); Physical Education Leader (2) (3).

"Ken" hails from the Highlands, Ferdinand St., and parts unknown. He wandered down to us from the Franklin School a few years ago, as a mild, little fellow. He has changed some since then, all right! As a freshman "Ken" joined the Debating Club and the late lamented Radio Club. While a "soph" he was honored with membership in the Hi-Y. We no longer looked upon "Ken" as a little fellow in his junior year, but as a sophisticated man of affairs and as such the Masque and Wig also received him into their membership. This year our hero broke out as the handsome, dashing, dared-vil president of the "Masque and Wig", handsome without either the Masque or the Wig. "Ken" is a terrible heart-breaker and even the little freshies fall for him.



MARCELLA REYNOLDS "Mar" "La"

Marcella came to M. H. S. as a sophomore in 1924. Although she has not taken a very active part in school organizations or athletics she has made many friends in high school. Next year Marcella plans to go to B. U. and take up the "Art of Music". Her favorite (candy) seems to be "Hey Eddie"! We all wish her the best of luck and success throughout the coming year.

MARION A. RICHARDSON "Rachie"

Girls' Club (4); Junior Board of Aldermen (1); Ancient History Play (2); Manager of Girls' Tennis Team (4); Physical Education Leader (3).

Marion, who is well known and loved by everyone, entered M. H. S. in the fall of 1923. As a freshman, she clung pretty close to the Franklin school group of which she was a member, but as the number of her acquaintances grew she became well known through the school. Marion shines in the cooking class, although she is always trying to dodge all work possible. Though Marion has not yet decided what she will take up after she leaves M. H. S., she has some intention of entering Dean Academy next fall.



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L. VIRGINIA RICHARDSON "Gin"

Last September this demure young lady became a member of our class, after spending three years in a high school in Wilmington, where she was well in line for the honor of being salutatorian of her class. Since coming to Melroe, she has lost none of her ability as a student, for she is at the head of her classes and seems to get on the right side of all her teachers. Virginia reminds one of an aviator. Why? Because she soars so high (in ambition). She aspires to be a teacher—"nuf sed!"

MARY B. ROBINSON

Girls' Club (2) (3) (4); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4); *French Club* (4); *Basketball* (3) (4), *Varsity Manager* (4).

Mary is one of the bright members of our class. She came to M. H. S. from the Livermore School, and all through her four years in M. H. S., she has upheld the honor of her class on the credit list. Last year she was assistant manager of the basketball team, and this season she made a most competent manager. Mary's idea of heaven is a white yacht in which she can sail the briny deep to the "far points of the earth". She is going to Radcliffe next year, and we all wish her the best. Good luck, Mary!



LAURENCE BRADFORD ROGERS "Laurie"

Hi-Y (2) (3) (4); *"Pinafore"* (2) *"Mikado"* (3); *Traffic Squad* (4); *Physical Education Leader* (4); *Tennis* (2) (3) (4); *Captain* (4).

"Laurie" is an industrious young man from the Washington School who became one of the "Sons of Sprague" in 1923. Taking the college course for four years, he has been one of the best students in the division. During the last year his athletic write-ups in "School Life" have been full of interest, and it is rumored that his later work may be along these lines. For three years "Laurie" has been a member of the tennis team. This year he won the singles in the school tournament and was captain of the team which has been doing so well in the new league. Next year, B. U. will receive this coming editor.



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FLORENCE RUITER

Girls' Club (4).

When meeting Florence you immediately see what an enjoyable, amusing, and interesting person she is. We'll guarantee that within ten minutes of conversation she will be telling you of the wonderful time she had at Nantucket. You probably know of Nantucket as a summer resort, but we have suspicions that there are other reasons for the wonderful time. She always has a word of praise for that little island off the Cape. Florence does not care for girls' athletics, but she has faithfully given her support to the football teams of Melrose High. We wish her the best of luck next year and in all the years to come.



FRANCES JOAN RUITER

Girls' Club (3) (4).

Frances is one of those quiet girls. Yet, just to be different from most of that type, she possesses sufficient initiative to get up and speak her mind in class. As you have perhaps noticed, most quiet girls are afraid to recite, but Frances, thank goodness, is different. Her sunny smile and good nature delight all those who have the pleasure to make her acquaintance. And she is just as pleasant outside of school as inside. She has gladly, for the last year, taken care of those individuals who have needed books in the library the second period. As a result of this gruelling daily task it is a constant marvel that her good spirits are not greatly dampened. But even this does not spoil her good nature, and we know she will always remain our friendly, most reliable smile-scatterer.



EUNICE M. RUSSELL

Eunice came to Melrose High from the Franklin and she has worked hard during her four years. Although she didn't join any of the clubs or take any special interest in athletics, she has many friends and was often seen at the football games where she helped cheer the boys on to victory. We wish her success in anything that she attempts.



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SUMNER H. SANDBERG, Jr. "Sunmie" "Sunny"

German play, "Scene from William Tell" 1925 G. H. S.; R. O. T. C. Gloucester High Rifle Squad; Malden High Glee Club.

"Sandy" arrived this fall from Malden via Gloucester. His six feet four inches makes him a visible landmark, while his car, like Mary's proverbial lamb, is ever with him. Most any week-end he is to be found in Gloucester where he spends a great deal of time in swimming, even until late October. He is greatly interested in music, chemistry and engineering. He is certainly bent toward engineering fields. He has made no definite plans for his future, but music and some mechanical line are sure to receive a good part of his attention.

EVELYN M. SANFORD "Evie" "Buddy"

Girls' Club (4).

This Highland lassie came to us from the well known Franklin School with the class of '23. Since that time she has acquired the knowledge that Tuesday is "hot dog day," that an afternoon session is from 2.30 to 4.30 and that the well known "Uncle Dudley" is none other than Mr. Sprague; so she is now ready to receive her diploma. "Evie" is a sweet natured little girl and is well known among her classmates by her cheerful smile. About a year from now we may expect to see "Evie" donning the blue uniform of a "nurse in training." We all wish you the best of luck, "Evie," and when we are sick we will be sure to call on you.



ELIZABETH MARIE SARGENT "Libby" "Betty"

Girls' Club (4); French Club (4).



Libby is one of our talented members. She can make a piano do anything she wants it to, apparently without effort. But don't let her fool you. It has taken years of hard work to accomplish this and Libby intends to keep on until she is a Madame Paderewski. The Faulton School has had the honor of training her and will continue to do so for the next three years. (She has completed the freshman year of their college course.) After that she is going to use teaching as a starting point, but one of her ambitions is to play a big organ. (We suggest that she will be most successful on the heart.) Don't get the idea that music is all Libby knows about. She is a real 1927 model, and the best pal anyone ever had. In other words, she's one we all prefer.

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JEAN SAVAGE "Blondie"

Masque and Wig (2) (3) (4), *Costume Mistress and Designer* (3) (4); *Physical Education Leader* (2) (3) (4); *Gym Team* (2).

Quiet? We'll say so! We would not know this young lady was among us if she didn't distinguish herself in our art societies. "Blondie" deserves much credit for the fine work she did as mistress and assistant designer of costumes for "A Rose of Plymouth Town", "Wisdom Teeth" and "What Men Live By", three Masque and Wig productions. Jean's artistic ability, however, is not confined to M. H. S., as she has made many posters, etc., for outside affairs, and has for some time decorated athletic togs in one of our downtown stores. "Blondie" has set her mind on the Vesper George School of Art for next year.



EDITH FLORENCE SEWELL "De De"

"Pinafore" (2); *Bowling, Captain* (4).

"De De" came to Melrose high from the Franklin school in 1923. She is always full of life and fun loving. Whenever there is a great deal of laughing going on "De De" is generally in the midst of it. Bowling is the only form of activities in which she has taken part, and she was the captain and leading light of the girls' team. She is always good-natured and willing to help others. Edith has not made up her mind as to what she will do after she leaves high school, but we are sure she will be successful in whatever she tries.



DOROTHY B. SMITH "Dot"

After graduating from the Franklin School "Dot" entered high school with her dresses very long. Bobbed hair? I should say not. A flapper? Yes, as was considered in those days. During her sophomore year she parted with her long tresses, and, as styles of dress changed, she decided to be a real flapper. Although she has never joined any school organization she is a good sport and attends all the games, whether hockey, football, or baseball, and has also been frequently seen at our school dances. She has not yet decided what she will do next fall, although she has considered attending Chandler's Secretarial School.



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MILDRED M. SMITH "Mil" "Milly" "Smithy"

Girls' Club (3) (4); *Basketball* (1) (2); *Field Hockey* (1) (2) (3) (4); *Gym Team* (2).

"Milly" needs no introduction at this late day as our most athletic girl. Look at her record! She had the honor of being the only freshman on the field hockey team and she certainly did her share in winning games. This last year "Milly", like many others of her classmates, had to go and get that pesky affliction, appendicitis, which kept her out of school several weeks. But, owing to her persistence, she soon made up all her work. "Milly" is not yet sure of what she is going to do in the future, but whatever it is, we all wish her luck.

ELEANOR SOLOMON "Peggy" "Ellie" "Solly"

Girls' Club (4).

"Peggy" entered the "old brick pile" from Reading nigh school during her second year and since that time has been busy making acquaintances with the members of M. H. S. "Peggy" is the possessor of a delightful wmk, which she exercises on many occasions. We hear "Peggy" is learning to drive, so beware, all pedestrians. "Peggy" has not fully made up her mind as to what she intends to do next year but whatever it is we all wish her the best of success.



ROBERT T. SOUTER "Bob" "Cider"

"School Life" (3) (4); *Advertising Mgr.* (4); *Year Book, Business Mgr.* (4); *Hi-Y* (2) (3) (4); *Masque and Wig* (3) (4); *Junior Prom Committee* (3); *"Halfback Sandy"* (2); *Class Day Committee* (4); *Traffic Squad* (3); *Physical Education Leader* (2) (4); *Football* (3); *Basketball* (3) (4); *Track* (3).

"Bob" has been very popular and very busy since his entrance into high school from that famous incubator of notable personages, the Livermore School. He made his football letter during his junior year and was prevented from obtaining the coveted emblem this last fall only because of an injury received in a first practice session. He recovered in time to be an outstanding member of the basketball team, however. Various committees and staffs have claimed "Bob's" services during the last two years in almost unbroken succession. He was a member of the group which made the 1926 Prom such a success, and this year he served on the Class Day Committee. In addition, he was advertising manager of School Life and business manager of the Year Book. Some undertaking, we'll say!



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STEWART L. STOKES "Stewie" "Stokesie"

Year Book (4); *Hi-Y Club* (2) (3) (4); *Traffic Squad*, *Lieutenant* (4); *Baseball Manager* (4).

"Stokesie" is the ever-alert manager of our ball team. He has never taken a very active part in school athletics, although he is quite a basketball player. He has developed a very discriminating taste for the loquacious sex, due to his training as a member of the S. S. Dorothy Bradford crew, and he recently brought a girl all the way from Manchester to take to the Prom. Next year "Stokesie" is going to New Hampshire State where we feel sure that he will make himself a prominent and popular member of the college.



KATHLEEN STEVENS "Kay" "Red"

Girls' Club (3) (4); *Masque and Wig* (4); *"Charm School"* (3).

When "Kay" first entered Melrose High in '23, she attracted much attention by her brilliant coloring. Her few childish habits she soon outgrew after entering the Girls' Club and the following year the Masque and Wig. (She really is quite an orator.) It is very seldom that you see "Kay" at any of the games, but whenever there's a dance on she's sure to be there, returning home with her arms full of favors. In the future "Kay" plans to be a stenographer. We wish her luck.



LAWRENCE STUART "Stu" "Lawrie"

"School Life" (4); *Hi-Y Club* (2) (3) (4); *Boys' Debating Club* (1) (2); *Radio Club* (2) (3); *Masque and Wig* (2) (3) (4); *Treasurer* (4); *"Pinafore"* (2); *"Mikado"* (3); *Orchestra* (1) (2) (3) (4); *Physical Education Leader* (1) (2); *Cheer Leader* (4).

"Lawrie" is the one boy in school that we simply could not get along without (at recess). He certainly slings a mean lunch check. "Stuie" was one of our very ardent cheer leaders during his last year. Many people lay the blame on him for Melrose winning so many games in football and hockey. As treasurer of the Masque and Wig "Stu" made lots of money for the M. & W. "Lawrie" admits that Melrose contains some nice girls, but he thinks the same about Malden and Boston. "Stuie" always has a story ready to tell you of what happened "last night". We know he will be successful when he enters Harvard.



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HORACE STURGES "Horry"

Hi-Y (3) (4); *Euclidean Society* (4).

Horace Sturges is a quiet fellow, but he is well liked by all who have come in contact with him. Although he has been very busy this year with an outside job, he still claims membership in the school clubs as the record above shows. He plans to stay in M. H. S. next year as a P. G., and then he will take a chemical engineering course at Northeastern. We all wish him success and we know he will be a good representative of M. H. S. '27 at Northeastern.

DANIEL J. SULLIVAN "Dinty"

Daniel J. "Dinty" Sullivan hails from the west side of Melrose, known to the initiated as Cork City. "Dinty" is one of those boys who find it hard to get up and therefore he is very frequently late to school. "Dinty" tried hard in baseball, but he found the going pretty hard competing against so many veterans. He is an ardent biology pupil, and he can often be found in the woods during the afternoon hunting Spanish beetles. He is quite a "pool shark" and a "Don Juan."



LESLIE C. SWAIN "Les" "Swainie"

Hi-Y (4).

"Les" is one of the quietest and most bashful boys in our school, and for that reason it is not generally known that he is such a fine fellow. As he has been working during the afternoons, he has not been active in the clubs of the school. However, he has elected to membership in the *Hi-Y* this winter and now he has come out to give us a surprise by showing himself to be a high jumper of no mean ability. "Swainie" leaves high school with the highest respect of his classmates and the best of wishes for success.



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MARGARET LOUISE SWETT "Peg"

Masque and Wig (4); Euclidean Society (3)(4); French Club (4); "Mikado" (3); Girls' Club (4).

"Peggy" is one of our tallest members, and many of her shorter companions have been accustomed to look longingly at her "queenly height" and sigh in vain to be tall. Yet, though she is tall, she is also one of our youngest members. "Peggy" is very artistically inclined, but she has been hiding her talents, for I doubt if many of her associates realize how very cleverly she draws. Her chief desire is to own a Buick roadster, and her pet ambition is to visit Africa—whether to convert the heathen or to hunt big game has not been determined. We hope that you may have all your wishes gratified "Peg".



ELIZABETH C. TAYLOR "Bet" "Betty"

Class Vice President (2); "School Life" (3) (4); Girls' Club (2) (3) (4); Treasurer (4); Orchestra (3) (4); Traffic Squad (4); Field Hockey Manager (4).

"Betty", ever since the day she entered high, an impish, lovable (ask Howie), green little freshie, has been one of our most popular girls. With her wonderful good humor and sweet personality she has won the distinction of being our most popular girl. Besides her competent work as treasurer of the Girls' Club, "Bet" has served faithfully on the traffic squad, "School Life" staff, and as manager of the field hockey team. For the past few months she has been very much in evidence driving around in her sporty Whippet roadster. Next year she expects to matriculate to Abbott where she will continue her studies. Good luck, "Bet".



LILIAN N. TOMES "Lil" "Tommy"

This sweet maid first saw the light of day in London on June 13, 1909. Lilian came to M. H. S. from the Gooch School with some of the most prominent members of our class such as the president and treasurer. She has made a host of friends with her friendly smile and sweet disposition. "Lil" is distinguished for her ability to resist the call of the barber. When it comes to distinctive coiffures, there are none like hers. As for studying, "Lil" is one of those fortunate individuals who don't have to. Lilian's hobby, we understand, is visiting Boy Scout camps. The interest seems to be mutual, as the boys always return the call. Lilian has decided to become a stenographer, and with her attractive personality she is sure to be a success.



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ELEANOR ALICE TOURTILLOTT

Eleanor moved from Malden just in time to be with us for our senior year. Consequently, she is not very well acquainted, but those of us who do know her have found her a good companion. She is very much interested in Girl Scout work, and plans to continue it next year when she enters training at the Melrose Hospital. Eleanor likes history, or at least she has enjoyed herself in Room 31 this past year. We wish that you had deserted Malden several years ago, Eleanor, so that we could have seen more of you.

CAROL M. TOWNSEND

Girls' Club (3) (4); *French Club* (4); *"The Charn School"* (3), *Prize Speaking, Honorable Mention* (4); *Thrift Council* (4).

Carol entered M. H. S. from the Washington school four years ago. She has always been a most diligent worker. Because she is one of our very quiet members, her talents have never been brought particularly to the attention of her fellow-students, but in her senior year she brought credit both to herself and to her class by her commendable work in the Prize Speaking Contest, and her ability as a speaker was quickly recognized. We'll never forget "The One-Horse Shay." Here's wishing you the best of luck, Carol, in the years to come.



JESSIE E. TURNER

Girls' Club (3) (4).

Jessie is one of our quiet members, but she has not gone through four years in the "old brick pile" without making her share of friends. She is one of the few girls without a nickname, her own being short and sweet enough to suit all. Jessie has the helpful virtue of perseverance which has helped her to overcome any obstacle which has arisen. There is one thing she has never had to fear—that is being caught without her homework complete. No matter what comes up to take her time, Jessie always does her homework faithfully and diligently. With these things, as well as many others in her favor, we know she is bound to succeed in whatever she attempts.



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HARDY L. WAHLGREN "Guy" "Hard"

Boys' Debating Club (1); Radio Club (1); Physical Education Leader (1).

Hardy is one of our most congenial members. Through all his four years in High School he has been known for his pleasing personality and his appreciation of a good joke. He is among those who plan to enter college next year, and for the last two months he has been busy getting ready for exams for "Aggie". Although he is entering an agricultural school, Hardy says he is not going to be a farmer; he plans to study Landscape Gardening in which we are sure he will succeed.



THELMA M. WARD "Thel"

Girls' Club (4); Euclidean Society (3) (4); French Club (4); Ancient History (2); Musical Concert (1); Pinafire (2); Mikado (3).

Thelma came to M. H. S. a shy maid from Halifax, but now she is departing with laurels for scholarship. Her report cards tell of her success—columns of A's are they, with an occasional B for variety. However, her interest is not confined to school alone, for she likes a good time and will do her share, and more too, in whatever she undertakes. It is to be hoped, Thelma, that your later life, in which your school friends are not forgotten, will be fully as successful as these past four years.



LYDIA J. WHITEMORE "Lyd"

Girls' Club (4); Masque and Wig (2) (3) (4).

"There's music in the air" when Lydia is around. When it isn't on the mandolin or piano it is in her laughter. This talented young lady has distinguished herself all through school by her art, inheriting her aunt's ability to draw. Lydia has made the name "Auntie" popular among her classmates. She is planning to go to the Vesper George School where she will further her study of art and keep the family represented.



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GILBERT WHITTEN "Gil"

"School Life" (4); Year Book Artist (4); Hi-Y (3) (4); Masque and Wig (4); Traffic Squad (4); Basketball Manager (4).

"Gil" is our outstanding artist. Since his younger days, his great ambition in life (outside of going to dances) has been to draw and paint well. He certainly has succeeded as Miss Coyle and the members of the Art Department can so well testify. His posters, signs, and other works of art have been frequent prize winners and are in constant demand by the various organizations of the school. Now his latest interest is landscape gardening which he intends to study at Mass. Aggie during the next four years.

RUBY WHITTEN

Girls' Club (3) (4); Physical Education Leader (3) Gym Team (2).

During these four years with us Ruby has become known chiefly as an artist. She can draw successfully anything from a cartoon to a big poster. In her freshman year this talent helped her in the fine work she did on the Zoning Map of Melrose. Congratulations to you, Ruby, for the accuracy and neatness of this fine piece of work. Then, too, Ruby has a winning smile that flashes out to brighten even the darkest day. With such an asset and with her remarkable ability to dance, she can "trip the light fantastic" to any place where her fancy may lead.



DOROTHY J. WHITTIER "Dot"

"Blonde or Brunette?" Well, "Dot" says, "Blonde." No, she is not conceited; she is only fond of light hair. "Dot" is one of the many seniors who is very sorry to leave good old M. H. S. She has not been in all the clubs, but she has accumulated in her four years a great number of true friends. Dorothy, who loves to talk (especially in study periods), is intending to try her luck at — "number please" — We hope she will do her work faithfully (as in school) and we know she will make a "peach" of a telephone operator.



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FREDERIC T. WIGGIN, JR. "Freddy" "Wiggy" "Brownie"

"Fred" is one of the business men of our class. Every afternoon we have seen him working for one of the grocery establishments in the Highlands. As a result of his labors he always has enough money to attend most of the social functions of the school. "Fred" has quite an interest in several young ladies of Melrose; in fact he is popular with so many that it is hard to tell who is his favorite. Evidently he intends to keep us guessing yet a while. He has not announced his plans for next year, but we have an idea that he will continue his interest in the business world.



DOROTHY E. WILLIAMS "Dot" "Dotty"

Girls' Club (4).

Folks, here's a first class housekeeper and a wonderful cook, who, at the same time, is *not* the much-talked-about "old fashioned girl!" For a young lady just leaving high school, "Dot" certainly is well educated in cooking. Some different from most of us! It's a funny thing, but every time one of "Dot's" girl friends call her up she's got an engagement which is *very pressing*. "Dot" has always got a smile for every one. She has the distinctive reputation of never losing her temper. In fact it is said that she possesses no temper to lose. She's very adept at type-writing and next year intends to put that talent to work in the business world.



MARGERY M. WILLIAMS "Marg"

Girls' Club (4); Masque and Wig (4); Ancient History Play (2); Physical Education Leader (1) (2) (3); Thrift Council (1) (3).

Margery, one of the quiet members of the class, is very friendly and has a sweet disposition. She enjoys dancing very much and has helped us out on several occasions during her high school career. "Marg" hasn't decided, as yet, what she is going to do when she gets through school, but it is rumored that she intends to take a P. G. next year. Well, here's wishing you the best of luck, "Marg", in whatever you decide to do.



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FRANCES IRMA WILSON "Bunny" Franny "Fran"
"Pinkie"

Nuntius (2); *Girls' Club* (3) (4); *Masque and Wig* (3) (4); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4); *Traffic Squad* (4). *Simplified Dress* (1)

Gentlemen prefer blondes? Not in this case! Gentlemen forget that blondes exist when "Bunny" makes those laughing eyes penetrate the hearts of the boys, especially the ones in Reading! When "Bunny" gets weary of the subject of males, she usually goes directly to the everlasting subject of Lake Winnepesaukee. Mysteries? She'll tell you all about it. All through her four years she has been willing to work, both in school and out. She's always busy, so no wonder she only weighs ninety-seven pounds. We understand that "Bunny" is going to work next summer, and then she hopes to go to Katherine Gibbs.

MILDRED F. WOOD "Milly"

Girls' Club (3) (4), *Corresponding Secretary* (4); *Euclidean Society* (3) (4).

Mildred Frances Wood—yes, that's all hers, but we just call her "Milly". After learning her A B C's at the Washington School, Mildred showed her good judgment by entering M. H. S. with the class of '27. Mildred is one of our "Quiet-in-School" girls, but if you only knew her better. Mildred has gone through her four years of high school being admired and loved by all her friends. Her favorite pastime is drinking water. *Six glasses in one gulp* is an easy matter to her. Although Mildred is undecided as to what her future career will be, we wish her the best of luck, and may she ever carry with her that spirit of friendliness which she has carried through M. H. S.



AMY ESTELLE WOODS "Birdie"

Class Basketball (4); *Girls' Club* (4).

Amy, or "Birdie" as she is frequently called, entered M. H. S. from the Washington Grammar School in 1923. She is not one of the athletic members of the class although she did play on the class basketball team during her senior year. Amy and Dot have been coming from Stoneham to school this year, so maybe that accounts for their missing the first few minutes of the first period every once in a while. Amy is undecided as to just what she intends to do in the future, but anyway, "Birdie"—here's luck!



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DOROTHY A. WOODS "Dot" "Dottie"

Girls' Club (4).

"Dot" is, without a doubt, one of the quietest members of our class and has studied faithfully during her four years at M. H. S. Her favorite pastime is playing tennis, and she expects to be a second Helen Wills some day. "Dot" and Amy are always seen together, even when they come walking in, on the average of once a week, at two minutes past eight. "Dot" has ambitions of going to a higher institution of learning, but hasn't decided as yet where it will be.



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OFFICERS

President, RALPH CLEMENTS

Vice-President, MARGARET COLBERT

Secretary, BETTINA KING

Treasurer, RAYMOND DUFFILL

The Junior Prom, under the direction of the officers and a committee composed of Mary Franklin, Arthur Johnson, Joseph Maguire, Richard Means, Brenda Newton, Warren Pike and Yvonne Townsend, was a splendid success. Ye Valentine Hoppe, one of the most successful dances ever conducted in the school hall, was also managed by this enterprising class. Congratulations, '28. Carry on!

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Aitken, Paul J.
Andrews, Henry N.
Armstrong, William M.

Bell, James F.
Bagley, Gustave W.
Baker, Barbara
Baker, Ruth
Baldwin, Marilouise
Bates, Curtis S.
Bean, Charles
Benedict, Jean
Bennett, Richard A.
Berninger, Melvin V.
Berthel, Beatrice J.

Blackstone, Jesse D.
Bleyle, Margaret B.
Bonzagni, Beatrice T.
Borgal, Vivian Q.
Bourne, Ruth M.
Boyajian, Marion
Boyajian, Martha
Briggs, Robert L.
Brigham, Genevieve P.
Brophy, Paul
Brown, Virginia M.
Bryan, Frederick T.
Burns, Jeanette M.
Burnham, John M.

Cargill, Austin T.
Carter, Florence
Carter, William
Cartland, Donald L.
Cattley, Amy L.
Clements, Frances E.
Clements, Ralph
Clemons, Catherine E.
Cochrane, Richard M.
Coffin, L. Janet
Colbert, Margaret M.
Colby, Robert D.
Coleman, Grace E.
Coleman, Lawrence E.
Collier, Joan

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Collins, Warren D.
Connors, Fred M.
Cobleigh, Laura D.
Cobleigh, Phyllis C.
Cook, Edgar S.
Cookson, Pauline V.
Cory, Helen G.
Coye, Agnes E.
Cragin, F. Mabelle
Crosby, Arthur L.
Cummings, Marguerite E.
Cummings, Ruth A.

Darrah, Leona A.
Davis, Janet P.
Day, Elizabeth C.
Dempsey, Frances S.
Dolson, Beatrice E.
Doloff, Willard J.
Duffill, John
Duffill, Raymond A.
Dwyer, Sydney B.

Eldredge, Frances
Ellis, Penley A.

Farrar, John M.
Farrar, Miriam
Farrell, Fergus L.
Farrin, Josephine T.
Fellows, Helen E.
Felt, Catherine
Flint, Olive M.
Foster, Marion M.
Franklin, Mary M.

Gardner, A. John
Gardner, Louis
Gerry, Ralph W.
Gile, Elizabeth P.
Gilmore, Frances B.
Goddard, Harold C.
Goldfarb, Ida S.
Grace, Doris V.
Greatrex, Elmer V.
Greenlaw, Fred S.
Grosser, Ila H.
Gurnett, Alice R.

Haines, Jr., John C.
Hannigan, Thomas
Haskell, Florence
Hancock, Dorothy
Hayden, Arthur S.
Harlow, Jack
Haroth, Henry F.
Hazzard, Bertha E.
Hearne, Edward W.
Hecht, Dorothy P.
Higgins, Claude
Hughes, Laura J.
Hunter, Robert
Hunter, George E., Jr.

Jepson, Ruth
Johnson, Arthur C.
Johnson, Frederick P.
Johnson, Irving

Kasprzak, Bronislaw F.
Kehoe, J. Hudson
Kelley, H. Beulah
King, Bettina
Kittredge, Alton
Kuhn, John A.

Larson, George W.
Lawson, Richard C.
Legg, Alice J.
Leslie, Philip
Letteney, Robert
Lewis, Ellen L.
Lofchie, Beatrice
Lofchie, Frederick
Lord, Virginia
Loring, Eugene R.
Lowe, Malcolm G.
Lucey, Bernard D.

Macdonald, Florence
Mace, Isabel F.
MacKenzie, Alice L.
Mackernan, James L.
Maguire, Joseph H.
Mahiott, Jr., Elmer E.
Manuel, Irene P.
Margeson, Ethel
Mason, Barbara
Merrill, Helen
McDonald, Maxwell W.
McKenna, Joseph B.
McKie, Donald C.
Means, Richard C.
Milano, James E.
Monegan, Muriel M.
Moody, Isabella A.
Moore, Pearl A.
Moore, Winthrop
Morrell, Edna V.
Morse, Robert K.
Moulton, Elizabeth R.
Mulready, May
Murphy, Florence F.

Nash, Gertrude M.
Nash, Virginia
Neary, Estelle M.
Nesmith, Carolyn E.
Newton, Brenda E.

O'Connell, Eileen M.
Orcutt, F. Worthy
Osgood, Mary C.

Peck, Marion E.
Perkins, Marian G.
Perry, Jeanette

Peter, Deeb E.
Peverly, Russell E.
Pickering, Willa
Pierce, Frances M.
Pike, Warren M.
Plant, Curtis
Polansky, Mildred R.
Porter, Alva E.
Proctor, Eugene
Putney, Robert E.

Ramsey, Joseph A.
Richardson, Marjorie B.
Richardson, Myrtice E.
Roberts, Marion
Robinson, Angela G.
Ross, Ellbridge B.
Ross, Mary A.
Roulston, Roswell, Jr.
Round, Marion O.
Ruddock, James S.

Sackett, Fred S.
Salisbury, Alston M.
Sample, Fred A.
Sanford, Edna G.
Sawin, Mildred
Schaeffer, Albert
Sears, Kathryn
Servis, George Webster
Shepard, Dorothy L.
Sheldon, Robert
Sherman, Ernest L.
Short, Ruth M.
Simpson, George W.
Smith, Edna C.
Smith, Laurel
Souter, Ruth E.
Souther, Susan I.
Spurr, Eleanor
Stevens, Ruth I.
Stephenson, Lester H.
Stewart, James R.
Stover, Eleanor C.
Swenson, Edwin J.
Swift, M. Madeline
Szugalsky, Anna E.

Thomas, Ruth L.
Tilley, Olive E.
Towner, Kenneth
Townsend, Yvonne
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Turner, Henry A.

Varney, George E.

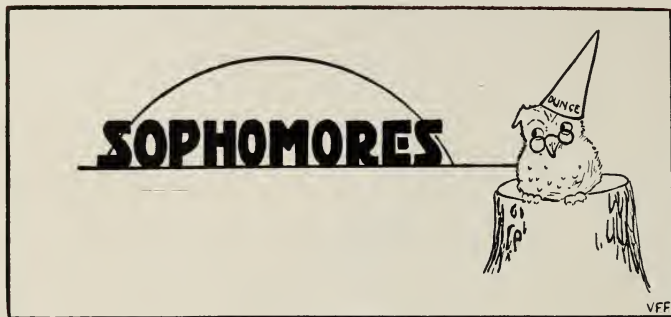
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Webster, Norman G.
Whiddon, Robert E.
Winson, Robert C.
Woodbury, Dorothy M.
Woodbury, Richard T.
Wortman, Weldon W.

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Although we haven't heard much from this group as a class, thus far, several of its members have been prominent in athletics, and numerous other activities. After this year's experience they are sure to enjoy success in the coming years.

SOPHOMORES

Allen, Elva
Allis, Dorothy E.
Anderson, Daisy M.
Andrews, Eleanor M.
Armstrong, Harold C.
Atwood, John E.
Bailey, Edith
Barrett, Anna L.
Barter, Arline F.
Bates, Gladys M.
Barry, William T., Jr.
Beal, George
Bemis, Stirling L.
Berninger, Alberta A.
Bigglestone, Ruth L.
Binda, Charles F.
Bishop, William E.
Black, John W.
Blaisdell, Phyllis
Bleyle, Eleanor M.

Blodgett, Muriel H.
Bolton, Blanchard F.
Bowser, Harry E.
Boyle, Joseph W.
Brettell, Ruby E.
Brown, Kingsley
Bruce, Norma
Bryan, Gertrude M.
Bryan, Bernard F.
Bullens, Barbara
Bullens, Dorothy
Buttrick, Rodney G.
Camerlin, Charles
Cameron, Marjorie L.
Campbell, Constance
Cary, Earl N.
Cary, Robert H.
Casano, Beatrice F.
Cassaboom, Floyd B.
Chamberlin, Irving K.

Champion, Harold L.
Chetywynde, Evelyn G.
Clark, Barbara C.
Cole, Ada F.
Collins, John P.
Corbett, Irma E.
Corey, Lida B.
Corriveau, Elizabeth E.
Creelman, Arnold S.
Cronin, Joseph P.
Crouss, Harry F.
Cummings, Ralph N.
Curtis, Henry J.
Cutts, Lella M.
Darling, Barbara C.
Davis, Marjorie E.
Davison, Dorothy M.
Daw, Edna M.
Delaney, Anna P.
Desmond, Helen L.

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De Wolf, Morton
Dix, Barbara T.
Dondoro, Serena A.
Downing, David A.
Dresser, Eleanor F.
Dwyer, Louise D.
Eaton, Marjorie L.
Edmonson, Mary E.
Ehler, Paul P.
Ells, Thelma M.
Ells, Warren H.
Emery, Sarah E.
Etsel, Edna A.
Farrell, Alice M.
Flanagan, Irving E.
Fogg, Roger B.
Foster, John T.
Frost, Bradford R.
Furber, Douglas
Furber, Mildred
Gerry, Ruth
Glenn, Roland D.
Goddard, Elva
Goodwin, Arthur E.
Gove, Charlotte
Graham, Robert H.
Graves, Elizabeth
Graves, Daisy A.
Greene, Eleanor
Gustin, Constance
Hannegan, Walter
Harlow, Jean
Harris, John B.
Hearne, John H.
Hedberg, Aina L.
Hicks, Elizabeth
Higgins, Ethel
Hixon, Gertrude
Hoffman, John
Houser, Marjorie L.
Howe, Francis B.
Howe, Marjorie
Hult, Ruth
Hutton, J. Wilburt
Hunt, Bettina S.
Hunt, Helen
Hynes, Kenneth
Ingham, Alice
Jackson, Anne C.
Jeffers, Janice
John, Martha
Johnson, Alan
Johnson, Doris L.
Johnson, Philip M.
Kasprzak, Annie R.
Keady, Walter E.
Keating, Edward L.
Keeney, Ralph
Keith, Marjorie W.
Keough, John L.
Kidd, Russell S.
Kimball, Franklin S.
Kjell, Elizabeth V.

Lanen, Prucia M.
Layden, Ruth
Leavy, Milford H.
Libby, Glenna
Libby, Mercedes E.
Lindell, Vera E.
Lobdell, Prentiss
Love, F. Carroll
Lovell, Janice
Lynde, Dorothy W.
MacLennan, Duncan
Magnuson, Harriet D.
Maham, Lawrence W.
Malm, Elizabeth A.
Marchant, J. Norman
Margosian, Henry
Mathias, Edith B.
McArdle, Thomas J.
McCann, Ralph E.
McCormick, M. Carolyn
Menadue, Louis
Merrifield, Harold E.
Milano, Evelyn G.
Millane, Helen C.
Monroe, Helen E.
Montgomery, A. Louise
Moors, Evelyn A.
Moors, Bernard H.
Morrell, Roy B.
Morrill, William
Moulton, Virginia L.
Munn, Richard
Munsen, Matilda C.
Myrick, Roger
Nason, Richard
Newton, Carroll
Nichols, Charlotte
Nicoll, Audrey L.
Noble, Ruth M.
Norgren, Frank
Norris, Louis
Noyes, Richard W.
Nutt, James F.
O'Connor, Gerald V.
O'Leary, Henry A.
O'Leary, Louis L.
Ollis, Lillian B.
Palmer, Frank E.
Parsons, Edith M.
Parmenter, Robert D.
Patten, Madelyn H.
Peters, Hollis
Phillips, Eben F., Jr.
Phillips, Helen
Pike, Emma L.
Pipe, H. Elizabeth
Polansky, Irene B.
Porter, Margaret E.
Posner, Sigmund J.
Powers, Dorothy P.
Proctor, Shirley M.
Quinn, Gertrude M.
Rand, Harold K.

Reardon, Florence M.
Reed, Samuel
Richards, Muriel V.
Riggs, Lorrin A.
Robbins, Paul
Roeder, Kenneth G.
Ross, Marjorie V.
Ruddock, Margaret C.
Russell, Miriam I.
Sample, Perrin E.
Sampson, Malcolm M.
Scannell, Richard L.
Scenna, Dominic J.
Scenna, William M.
Shaw, Verna L.
Singer, Thelma P.
Skillings, Florence M.
Smith, Eliot
Smith, Helen L.
Smith, Kenneth A.
Smith, Milton T.
Smith, Peter W.
Snell, Ruth N.
Soley, William A., Jr.
Souter, Philip W.
Spadafora, William G.
Spraker, Florence E.
Spurr, Robert
Stearns, Victoria E.
Stetson, Mary R.
Stevens, Chester U.
Stevens, Gladys E.
Stevens, Mary V.
Stiles, Kenneth R.
Stuart, Barbara L.
Stuart, Prescott W.
Swett, E. Frances
Swett, Katherine
Taber, Lois
Taylor, Robert C.
Thomas, Priscilla
Tomer, A. Phyllis
Toomey, William A.
Tourtellott, E. Beatrice
Townsend, Dorothy A.
Tulley, William C.
VanCor, Wallace I.
Varley, Leland H.
Wannlund, Edward J.
West, Dorothy G.
West, Edith M.
West, Ellen E.
Westcott, Lawrence
Westhaver, John D.
Wightman, Alice A.
Willey, Constance
Williams, Arnold W.
Wilson, Valerie W.
Wood, Elinor H.
Wood, Gladys L.
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Woodland, A. Muriel
York, Leighton H.

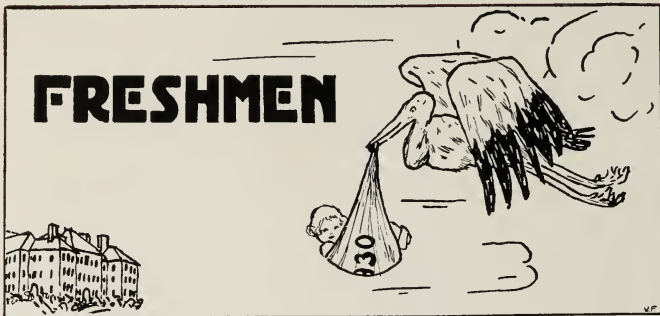
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The first enterprise of this ambitious class was the formation of a junior dramatic society, the "Cloake and Plume", which with the "Masque and Wig", put on two one-act plays which certainly brought credit to its members. The freshman football, hockey, and baseball teams, coached by "Billy" MacPheters showed up some material that should be valuable to "Papa Poole's" varsity next fall. All in all, this peppy bunch of infants have had a remarkable year.

FRESHMEN

Alexander, William R.
Allen, Erna E.
Allmon, Francis E.
Allmon, Robert J.
Alvord, Margaret G.
Anderson, Olive L.
Andren, Doris E.
Atwood, Martha H.
Babcock, Evelyn A.
Bagley, Roy
Balcom, Mildred G.
Balcom, Reta
Ball, Elisabeth I.
Baneroff, Ruth E.
Barrows, Malcolm D.
Bavier, Elisabeth
Bayliss, Ruth F.
Bennett, Constance W.
Berkman, Sydney
Berry, Herbert
Bickford, Gilman N.
Bissett, Marie
Blackstone, Nathaniel
Blatchford, Harold
Boyce, Rendall
Brady, Ruth L.
Brettell, Herbert

Briggs, Beth E.
Bryer, Eunice E.
Bumpus, Dean
Burney, Dorothy
Burke, Laura E.
Butler, Oliver E.
Byrne, Vincent F.
Cadigan, Daniel L.
Canty, John I.
Carakatsanos, John M.
Carney, Margaret H.
Cattanach, Stella M.
Cattley, Henry R.
Chard, Ernest W.
Chisholm, Marion
Churchill, Louise E.
Cincotta, Antonio J.
Clark, Warren P.
Cobleigh, Ruth I.
Cole, Helen M.
Collins, Byron H.
Collins, Charlotte
Cook, Everett L.
Cooper, Norman J.
Coyne, John F.
Crooker, Grace B.
Cutting, Grace P.

Dalby, Edna E.
Darling, Dorothy E.
Davis, Glenys V.
Davison, Charles A.
Demain, Robert H.
Donnelly, Doris E.
Donnelly, Harry P.
Doucette, Walter C.
Dow, Carolyn
Dow, Dorothy
Dunning, Alice W.
Ellsworth, Evelyn E.
Evans, Edward L.
Fahey, Louise M.
Fall, Nina V.
Farrell, Edna V.
Fester, Marie C.
Fish, Thelma L.
Fortier, Gertrude A.
Fortier, Dorothy M.
Foster, Robert M.
Flanagan, Bruce
Flanders, Walter H.
Fletcher, Warren M.
French, Isabel L.
Furber, Barbara

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Gibson, Frederick J.
Gibson, J. Phyllis
Gile, Robert N.
Giovino, Emma L.
Gittes, Annie R.
Glover, John G.
Goineau, Joseph H.
Goldthwait, Marjorie
Graves, Emily R.
Griffin, Barbara F.
Grindle, Margarite
Grosser, Frank D.
Guibord, Loring R.
Gurnett, Charles H.
Hallahan, James M.
Hamilton, Hannah
Hamlin, Eleanor L.
Harlow, Irving M.
Harrington, Fred D.
Harrington, Warren L.
Hazzard, Florence E.
Hecht, Florence
Hill, Richard T.
Hindon, Thelma J.
Hixon, Dorothy M.
Hoehel, Marjorie E.
Holmes, Dorothy
Howard, Vera L.
Hultgren, Grace E.
Hunnewell, Irma W.
Hupper, Theodore R.
Isley, Florence
Jackson, Willard A.
Jefferas, Betty M.
Johnson, Alexandra M.
Jones, Irene I.
Keating, James J.
Keene, Joseph H.
Keeney, Ruth C.
Kendrick, Roger
Kennedy, Doris A.
Kenworthy, Robert J.
Kervin, John L.
Kidd, Edna G.
King, Nelson D.
Kinney, Warren L.
Knapp, Marjorie D.
Knight, Mary E.
Lamprey, Irving B.
Lamson, Kempton C.
Lane, Francis J.
Laserson, Leon
Lawrence, William L.
Leavitt, Pauline R.
Leeman, Wilbur C.
Legg, Robert J.
Lewis, Oris S.
Lewis, Tyler W.
Lilly, Frank J.
Lindquist, Anna C.
Lord, Arthur B.
Lord, Helen P.
Lossone, Alice L.

Lucey, Lawrence J.
Lyons, Charles E.
MacCormack, Charles E.
MacKenzie, Helen M.
MacLean, Frank H.
MacLennan, Lillian M.
MacLeod, Annie M.
McCormick, Muriel M.
McDonell, Frederick H.
McIlwraith, Sarah J.
McLean, Thelma L.
McMullin, Eleanor L.
Mack, Marjorie D.
Macullar, Barbara L.
Maguire, Jane F.
Mahon, Christopher J.
Maidrand, Edna E.
Main, Clayton J.
Margeson, Arthur H.
Marr, Edna L.
Mason, Stanley C.
Mason, William A.
Meriam, Frank G.
Merriam, George R.
Monroe, Ruth
Montgomery, William R.
Moody, Lawrence E.
Moore, Charles J.
Moore, Linda B.
Morash, Gretchen M.
Mullock, Esther W.
Munn, Dorothy
Munsen, Berni O.
Murray, Gerald E.
Nash, Eunice R.
Neunzer, Henry G.
Newhall, Everett H.
Norwood, Rosalynnd C.
O'Connell, Gerald
O'Malley, Helen F.
Page, Harold R.
Patten, Frederick W.
Patterson, Florence J.
Peck, Kenneth O.
Peck, Kathryn G.
Perkins, V. Edward
Philpot, Lincoln C.
Phipps, Louise A.
Pike, Arthur B.
Pierce, Mary E.
Pray, Shirley W.
Preece, Jack A.
Quigley, Joseph E.
Quigley, Margaret E.
Radford, Henry J.
Ratcliffe, Margaret H.
Raymond, Dorothy M.
Reed, William P.
Rice, Elizabeth
Roberts, Leonard H.
Roche, Arthur T.
Rogers, Arline F.
Ruiter, Byron E.
Russell, Edward W.

Russell, Ernest E.
Russell, Marion E.
Sample, Eunice C.
Sanders, Lily
Sanford, Dorothy M.
Saterlay, Mildred
Seely, Barbara
Seely, Louise
Shaw, Avis V. I.
Sizer, Ruth M.
Small, Barbara
Smith, Gertrude I.
Smith, Madeline M.
Smith, William
Spadafora, George P.
Sparling, Melvin A.
Stewart, Frederick G.
Stanley, Lawrence H.
Strachan, Dorothy M.
Stevenson, Albertina J.
Sturgis, Marjorie T.
Sullivan, James J.
Sullivan, Margaret F.
Sutherland, Ruth C.
Swenson, Robert J.
Taylor, Lawrence E.
Thomas, Janet
Thomson, Catherine E.
Thornton, William R.
Townner, L. Gwendolyn
Townsend, Felicia
Trites, Walter E.
Tucker, Grace I.
Turner, Charlotte W.
Turner, Elizabeth
Turner, William J.
VanCor, Marjorie E.
VanBuskirk, Gordon W.
Varley, Natalie N.
Vocca, Phyllis N.
Walker, Eleanor
Wallace, R. Clark, Jr.
Wallburg, Louise A.
Walls, Philip D.
Ward, Errington R.
Ward, Harold C.
Weir, William F.
Wellington, Eva M.
Wellman, Charles N.
Wheeler, Dorothy M.
Wheeler, Karl G.
Whipple, Albert
Whitehouse, Edna M.
Whitford, Leonard C.
Whitney, Estner A.
Whittemore, Elizabeth R.
Whittier, Evelyn E.
Wilbur, Olive M.
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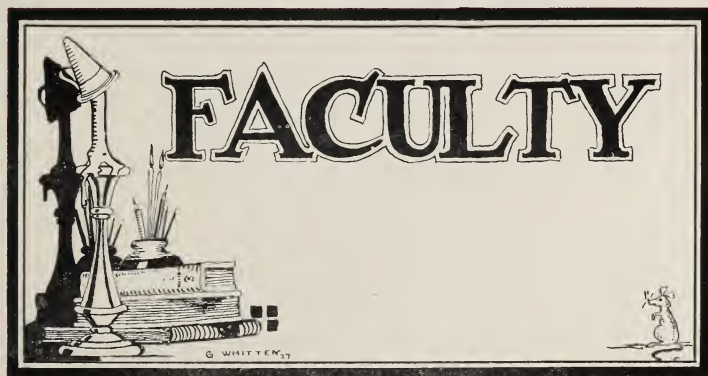


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Submaster, CHARLES H. WOODBURY
Dean of Girls, EDITH S. BLAKE

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 LESTER E. YOUNG

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 ALICE G. DRAKE
 ELIZABETH E. HALL

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LUCY R. OSGOOD

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 ARLINE W. BRANSCOMBE

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Science Department

GEORGE A. HUTCHINS

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HAROLD W. POOLE

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EDWARD DAIL

ETHEL M. BIRD

ANNA L. MAGUIRE

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Art Department—MARY E. COYLE

Household Economics—GLADYS W. MARBLE

Opportunity Classes—MILDRED E. HASTINGS

Principal's Secretary—M. E. L. WAITE

Boys' Athletics—HAROLD W. POOLE, ARTHUR N. THURSTON

Girls' Athletics—BARBARA GOSS

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Among The Chaperones
AT
The "P..."



Miss Dodge Miss Stode Miss Oswood



"Charley"
Wadbury

Sub-Master



Miss Blake



"Uncle Bill" Our
Friend + Helper



Walt Hammond
Whalin!



Mr. Hutchins discovering
The Specific Gravity
of Appresauce

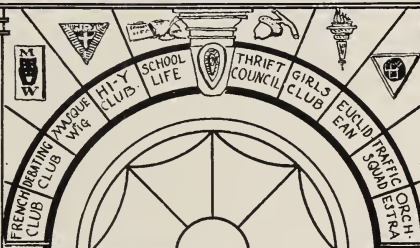
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DEBATING CLUB

President, RICHARD C. MEANS

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Secretary, HARRY KOPFMAN

Treasurer, WILLIAM SCENNA

Sergeant-at-Arms, FRED BRYAN

TEAMS

FRESHMEN

Hill Clark King

SOPHOMORES

Varley Ells Scenna Tulley

JUNIORS

Means Bryan Hearne Johnson

SENIORS

Crosby Kopfman Amazeen

INTERSCHOLASTIC TEAM

Richard Means Fred Bryan Leland Varley Hudson Kehoe

LIST OF MEMBERS

Edward Amazeen
Bernard Bryan
Fred Bryan
William Coleman
Fred Connors
Edgar Cook
Leslie Crosby
Warren Ells

Roger Fogg
Edward Hearne
Richard Hill
Arthur Johnson
Harry Kopfman
Nelson King
Austin Ledwith
Donald McKie

Richard Means
William Scenna
Ernest Sherman
John Tulley
Leland Varley
Clark Wallace
Richard Woodbury

The Debating Club, starting the year at a low ebb, has increased both financially and in membership until it is on a sounder basis than it has been before in years.

Although the membership is not as large as in some previous years, those in the club have worked for its success.

The second annual Interclass Debates on "Resolved: that the United States should recognize the Philippines" were a great success and the class of 1928 carried off the honors for the second successive year.

The interscholastic debate of the season was held with Durfee High School of Fall River, concerning the question, "Resolved: that the United States should recognize Soviet Russia." The decision was awarded to Durfee because of their unquestionably better delivery.

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EUCLIDEAN SOCIETY

President, ELIZABETH COOK

Vice President, ARTHUR KITTREDGE

Secretary, MURIEL KEMP

Treasurer, ETHEL KIDD

Under the leadership of Mr. Hammond, and later Mr. Hall, the Euclidean Society has passed a most successful year. The membership has been raised to the unheard number of 57.

This year it has been our object to have a different science discussed at each meeting. Mathematics, chemistry, entomology, astronomy, and mineralogy were presented by interesting speakers.

This season the vice president has become more than a figurehead. The Society has tried to spread Euclideanism to other schools by sending to one school in each of the states of the Union a letter telling of our organization and objects, and asking them if they would like to form a similar society. The vice president has been in charge of this correspondence. Answers have been received from high schools in Ohio, Hawaii, California, New York and South Dakota.

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GIRLS' CLUB

President, EVELYN CREELMAN

Vice-President, MARY FRANKLIN

Secretary, BRENDA NEWTON

Treasurer, BETTY TAYLOR

Corresponding Secretary, MILDRED WOOD

In September the club started off with a get-together supper and meeting with the Hi-Y Club at which both organizations made plans for the coming year.

The biggest event of the season and perhaps the most worth-while came in December when the Girls' Club joined with the Hi-Y in giving the Appreciation Banquet to the football and field hockey teams. A new feature of the club was "Friendly Week". During this week the girls of the school had an opportunity to become better acquainted with each other and a feeling of friendliness existed throughout the school. The Girls' Club and Hi-Y backed the selling of football and baseball season tickets, putting over both with much success and at the same time arousing a great deal of school spirit. These two organizations also helped to put across the drive for the service fund, a fund which is used to help students in a financial way in case of sickness.

The membership of the club has greatly increased, and every new member understands that she must live up to the purpose of the club which is "to unite the girls of the school in a stronger bond of friendliness, to instil them with the spirit of bettering their lives mentally, physically and morally, to urge them to be more dependable, and to be of greater service to their home, their school, and their community."

A club which stands for such high ideals as this does certainly deserves the success it has met with this year.

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HI-Y CLUB

President, GORDON E. PIPE

Secretary, RICHARD MEANS

Vice-President, EDWARD S. AMAZEEN

Treasurer, RUSSELL NICHOLS

Corresponding Secretary, JULIAN CARPENTER

The Hi-Y Club has come to be a very important organization in the school. This year it put over some big projects. In the fall with the Girls' Club, it took charge of selling the season tickets for football. In December the same two clubs gave the football and field hockey teams an appreciation banquet. Then in the spring they sold the season tickets for baseball and track and did another fine piece of work.

One of the biggest things it has done for the school was backing the drive for money to add to the Service Fund. This fund was originally started by the Hi-Y, and this year the club backed a drive to add to the fund and make it of more aid to the students.

The club meets every Tuesday in the Y. M. C. A. Many interesting and helpful speakers have addressed the club. Discussions of important problems have been an outstanding feature of this year's program. Suppers are held once a month and are followed by an induction service, at which new members are taken in.

This year the club ran a public supper and a very successful afternoon dance. Several parties were held and twice Mr. Alger entertained the boys. In December about forty members of the club attended the 38th Annual Order Boys' Conference of Massachusetts and Rhode Island held at Lowell where Gordon Pipe was elected president of the Conference.

Mr. MacPheters, Mr. Lacey and Mr. Alger, three adult advisors have helped the club very much. They have worked hard and done everything possible to help the members of the club.

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MASQUE AND WIG SOCIETY

President, KENNETH REED

Vice President, DOROTHY PIKE

Secretary, VIRGINIA CROCKER

Treasurer, LAWRENCE STUART

Faculty Advisor, MISS HALL

The Masque and Wig Society has continued its popularity this year. Indeed, so many applied for membership that it was thought best to lessen this number by creating a dramatic society for the benefit of the eager Freshmen. Mr. Hall, assisted by Veronica Harrington as student directors, undertook the responsibility of doing this. The membership of this new club, christened the "Cloak and Plume Society" has grown to nearly thirty.

Through the combined efforts of both dramatic clubs, two one-act plays, entitled "What Men Live By" and "Wisdom Teeth", were presented in the early part of the year. The productions were exceptionally good and well attended by the parents and friends as well as the High School students.

But the greatest achievement of the season was the presentation of "The Goose Hangs High" in Memorial Hall, May sixth. It was a difficult thing to accomplish, for problems of every kind confronted the society. The success with which the play was put across relieved all fears, however, and well repaid the workers for their untiring efforts under the leadership of Miss Hall, Miss Dodge, and Miss Damon.

The club has had the pleasure of hearing several fine speakers during the year. Mr. Hall related many of his stage experiences to the amusement and interest of the members, while Mr. Hodgman, another member of our faculty, entertained the members with powerful readings from several poems. Professor Gilmore from Tufts College, gave a most instructive talk on foreign drama, particularly that in Russia. Twenty-five members of the club were kindly invited by him to see the "Show Off" presented at Tufts.

Never behind in anything the club contributed twenty-five dollars to the Service Fund, thus helping that cause considerably.

The society now has four \$100 bonds bought from the Repertory Theater, each of which entitle the club to eighty free tickets to the productions given by that theater. Thus every member may enjoy at least one such play free of charge. The club is now endeavoring to buy still another bond by which members of the school at large may possess a like privilege.

This past year has certainly been a banner one as far as the Masque and Wig is concerned and every member is hoping that next year will prove as profitable and successful.

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"School Life", our monthly magazine, has continued its successful course for another year. The "School News" department in its new style has become very popular and the editorials throughout the year have been on subjects of general interest. Every member of the staff deserves credit for his part in the publication of nine issues from October to June. The staff has been partially reorganized and as a result of this experiment, a new system is to be installed next year, by means of which it is expected that the work will be done still more efficiently.

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THE THRIFT COUNCIL

President, RICHARD WOODBURY

Vice President, WARREN PIKE

Secretary, FRANCES ELDREDGE

As we look back over the last few years, what an immense change for the better we find in the thrift side of school activity! Two years ago, 1924-1925, banking was at the lowest possible ebb. However, in the fall of 1925, under the guidance of the head of the commercial department, the Thrift Council, consisting of the cashiers from the different home-rooms, was organized. Officers were chosen; plans were made; enthusiasm was high. At that time banking became a recognized and "patronized" activity in M. H. S. This year the work of the Council has increased even more.

A weekly bank bulletin, giving home-room per cents, a word of encouragement and perhaps a bit of good advice was issued. Although the Council as a body has not been as active this year as last a great deal has been done through individual work.

In a state-wide poster contest conducted in the interest of thrift, Russell Nichols won third prize, while Augusta Ponzagni and Gilbert Whitten received honorable mention. We should be proud of these artists who worked so hard to bring credit to Melrose High in yet another field.

Several rooms, namely, 60, 59, 39, 14, S-4, S-2, and 19 have out-distanced all others and reached the 100% mark, that is, all members of the room are banking weekly. Over one-half of the pupils of the school are making deposits through the school saving system.

The Sophomores and Juniors lead in numbers of depositors, but the Freshmen are forging right ahead. We hope that the good work will continue and that next year will be even more successful.

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TRAFFIC SQUAD

OFFICERS

Captain, GORDON E. PIPE

Lieutenants

EDWARD S. AMAZEEN STEWART STOKES JOSEPH MAGUIRE

The traffic squad is the group of juniors and seniors that control the filing between classes. A squad of thirty-nine is picked by the captain who is elected by the squad of the previous year. The captain appoints three lieutenants to have charge of the three floors of the building.

This year the crowded condition of the school, and the addition of the Sewall School, made the problem of handling the filing in a quick and orderly manner, very complex. A new traffic system, installed by Capt. Pipe and Lieut. Amazeen, helped very much in solving the problem.

This year, for the first time, Mr. McPheters was adult advisor. The squad became more of an organized group, met regularly, and elected a clerk, Muriel Chisholm. This brought the members closer together and helped to make them more efficient.

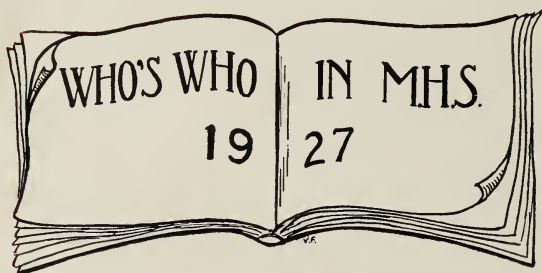
This organization is a very important feature of the school management, and it is exceedingly pleasing that the squad did such a good job. Each one has done his best and as a whole the squad has succeeded in controlling the passing in an efficient manner.

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Valedictorian.....	Elizabeth Cook
Salutatorian.....	Thelma Ward
Essayist.....	Elizabeth King
Most Popular Boy and Girl.....	Gordon Pipe and Betty Taylor
Most Athletic Boy and Girl.....	Howard McHugh and Mildred Smith
Best-natured Boy and Girl.....	Russell Nichols and Barbara Anderton
Prettiest Girl.....	Phyllis Clark
Handsome Boy.....	William Cochrane
Most Dignified Boy and Girl.....	Gordon Pipe and Margaret Swett
Class Actor.....	Franklin Carr
Class Actress.....	Virginia Crocker
Class Grind.....	Thelma Ward
Class Clown.....	Austin Ledwith
Class Poet.....	Dorothy Pike
Class Exaggerator.....	Lawrence Stuart
Class Saint.....	Muriel Kemp
Class Genius.....	Arthur Kittredge
Most Original and Talented.....	Dorothy Pike
Most Unconscious.....	Joseph Delaney
Most Fastidious.....	Melville Prior
Class Orator.....	Edward Amazeen
Class Artists.....	Gilbert Whitten and Virginia French
Best Mannered Boy and Girl.....	Gordon Pipe and Evelyn Creelman
Class Pals.....	Gordon Pipe and Anthony Giovino
Most Ambitious.....	Edward Amazeen
Class Songster.....	Franklin Carr
Class Giggler.....	Dorothy Lees
Class Wit.....	Austin Ledwith
Best All-round Boy and Girl.....	Gordon Pipe and Geraldine Ide
Best Dancers.....	Arthur Cary and Kathleen Stevens
Flirt.....	Frances Wilson

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FOOTBALL

Captain Anthony Giovino; Coach, Harold Poole; Letter men: Capt. Giovino, Capt.-elect Richard Means, Howard McHugh, John McKown, Edward Amazeen, George Hunter, William Armstrong, Kendall Harris, Kenneth Morehead, Gordon Pipe, Joseph Delaney, Elmer Maihiot, Robert Johnson, Deeb Peter, Thomas Keady, George Simpson, Ernest Sherman, Elbridge Ross, William Spadafora, Bronislaw Kasprzak, Glen Fuller, Arthur Carey.

Here we have the champions of the Mystic Valley League. Under the leadership of "Tony" Giovino, Coach Poole and Assistant Coach Thurston, the team had a very successful season as its record of three defeats, one tie, and eight victories proves. Two of the defeats were at the hands of Everett and Malden, both of which outclassed us.

Melrose was the only team to tie the undefeated Belmont eleven during the whole season.

We defeated all of our league rivals except Winchester, who was runner-up for the championship, and against whom the team failed to show its usual spirited attack.

When the annual Turkey Day set-to with Arlington arrived, no one dared prophecy the result, for Arlington had shown some brilliant playing during the season. However, at the end of the first quarter, we had won the game, although no scores had then been made, but as soon as the second quarter began, we went into their territory and stayed for the rest of the game. And what a game it was—forwards, end runs, trick plays, line plunges, and every play worked.

It was certainly a brilliant ending for a successful season. May next year's team with its nucleus of seven letter men carry on to another championship.

The games and scores:

Melrose 0—Everett 21
Melrose 13—Weymouth 7
Melrose 7—Quincy 0
Melrose 0—Malden 21
Melrose 7—Milton 0
Melrose 19—Woburn 0

Melrose 7—Watertown 0
Melrose 0—Winchester 7
Melrose 26—Durfee 0
Melrose 13—Wakefield 0
Melrose 0—Belmont 0
Melrose 26—Arlington 0

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FIELD HOCKEY

Captain, GERALDINE IDE

Coach, BARBARA GOSS

Manager, BETTY TAYLOR

Letter Girls

Mildred Smith, R. W.
Phyllis Buck, R. I.
Beulah Kelley, Capt.-elect, C. F.
Betty Hicks, L. I.

Jeanette Burns, L. W.
Agnes Reardon, R. H.
Geraldine Ide, Capt., C. H.
Edna Sanford, L. H.

Margaret Colbert, R. F.
Jane Maguire, L. F.
Eleanor Miller, G.

Although not as brilliantly as last year, the field hockey team went through the season remarkably well. Barb Goss, for two years our able coach, with five letters girls as a nucleus, put forth a team to be proud of. This was some job, and we don't mean maybe! Many of the girls, though not entirely green, had played well, previous to this year. If they didn't know field hockey in November—well, it wasn't for lack of coaching, and good coaching at that.

The first game, with Winchester, was purely practice, which was indeed fortunate, for our girls were forced to acknowledge defeat. However, this served as an incentive to harder practise and more of it. In the next contest, a game with Lexington, the Melrose outfit showed remarkable improvement, which was noticeable for the remainder of the season.

After winning the championship of the Northern League by tying Winchester, our nearest rival, 0-0, Melrose was all set for the big fight, namely the struggle with Arlington for the coveted Durrell cup. For years Melrose and Arlington have been keen rivals and this was no exception to the rule. From start to finish the game, scrap, fight, whatever you want to call it, was bedlam. Fouls were as plentiful as grass. Perhaps it was the thrilling but rather upsetting effect of having their pictures taken for the "Pathe News", perhaps it was the drizzling, disconcerting rain which fell at intervals, perhaps—well, anyway, it happened, and Melrose was forced to march into the Arlington camp to the tune of 2-1.

Next year the forward line will miss "Milly" Smith and Bucky, who have both done great work, while great credit goes to "Ellie" Miller our goaltender, and "Aggie" Reardon, flashy back, and our dandy captain, "Gerry" Ide.

Beulah Kelley, our star performer, has been chosen to guide the destiny of next year's team, and we are confident that with "Miggie" Colbert, Jeannette Burns, Betty Hicks, Edna Sanford, and Jane Maguire back to give her their support, Melrose will have a combination hard to beat. Go to it, girls, and good luck.

Schedule

Melrose 1—Lexington 0

Melrose 1—Concord 2

*Melrose 3—Winthrop 0

*Melrose 4—Woburn 2

*Melrose 5—Swampscott 1

*Melrose 0—Winchester 0

Melrose 1—Arlington 2

Melrose 2—Newton 2

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ICE HOCKEY

Captain, HOWARD McHUGH

Manager, RUSSELL NICHOLS

Coach, HAROLD POOLE

Letter Men

Capt. HOWARD McHUGH, *Capt.-elect* ELBRIDGE ROSS, LORING CUSHMAN

WILLIAM ARMSTRONG

EDWARD KEATING

WILLIAM SPADAFORA

ELMER MAIHOIT

Coach Harold Poole, in his first year as hockey mentor, put onto the ice a team which wound up in third place in the Suburban League. Melrose won twelve, tied one, and lost five games, while playing through a schedule which included the best high school, prep, and college freshmen teams in the state.

Going into the finals held at the Boston Arena, Melrose was closebehind Newton for the league leadership with the distinction of being the only team to win from Cambridge Latin outdoors. An awful exhibition against Cambridge in the first indoor game resulted in a 3-0 setback for the local team, but a strong comeback against Newton was halted only when a Melrose player accidentally scored the goal which gave the Orange and Black a 1-0 victory after two overtime periods. The season was successfully wound up with a 1-0 win over our old foe, Arlington.

By virtue of his splendid work all during the season, Captain McHugh was selected as All-Scholastic goal-tender by the coaches of the league.

Let's see next year's team "go get 'em"!

The scores:

Melrose 8—Stone School 0

Melrose 1—Newton 3

Melrose 5—Melrose City Club 3

Melrose 2—Cambridge 1

Melrose 1—Belmont 0

Melrose 5—Everett 2.

Melrose 5—Brookline 0

Melrose 2—Stoneham 0

Melrose 0—Yale Freshmen 4

Melrose 1—Andover 1

Melrose 3—Rindge 1

Melrose 3—Dorchester 0

Melrose 8—Brighton 1

Melrose 1—Essex Aggies 0

Melrose 0—Cambridge 3

Melrose 0—Milton 2

Melrose 0—Newton 1

Melrose 1—Arlington 0

Goals scored: For—46. Against—22.

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GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Captain, GRETCHEN GROVESTEIN

Coach, BARBARA GOSS

Manager, MARY ROBINSON

Letter Girls

Capt. Grovestein

Capt. elect Margaret Colbert

Phyllis Buck

Helen Phillips

Edna Smith

Mary Robinson, Manager

Beulah Kelley

As the Girls' Interscholastic Basketball League was dissolved at the end of last year, it was decided, by several of the leading high schools of Greater Boston, to stress class basketball more than usual by holding the class games first, and then from the class teams to pick the varsity team which should play not more than three games.

In the class games the junior class representatives won the championship. After this a sizable squad was chosen and practices were held in preparation for the three games, played with Winchester, Wellesley, and Arlington. In none of these games was the Melrose team victorious.

After these games were played, the schools decided to play some more outside teams and as a result, we played a return game with Wellesley in which Melrose first tasted the cup of victory. Later, in a game with Malden our girls lost after a close, hard-fought battle.

Although the playing of the varsity team was not at all brilliant, a great deal of interest was aroused in the class games where the juniors won three sound victories.

The members of the championship junior team are as follows: Edna Clements, Capt., Josephine Farrin, Olive Tilley, Jeanette Burns, Edna Smith, Laura Cobleigh, Helen Cory, Manager.

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BOYS' BASKETBALL

Captain, THOMAS KEADY

Coach, ARTHUR THURSTON

Manager, GILBERT WHITTEN

Letter Men

CAPTAIN KEADY
ANTHONY GIOVINO
GLEN FULLER

Captain-Elect RALPH CLEMENTS
GORDON PIPE ROBERT SOUTER
GEORGE SIMPSON MANAGER WHITTEN

Basketball in Melrose High School is a sport which is not fully appreciated or supported by the student body. However, we trust that as it enters its third year of existence in our sporting life, it will receive some of the support which makes football and hockey so successful.

This year, with a nearly veteran team and under the leadership of Coach "Solly" Thurston and Captain "Tom" Keady, the boys started their season in a very promising manner by winning four out of their first five games. Reading was the first of four teams to hand them successive defeats. Then the boys opened up the bag of tricks and handed Wakefield a 25-24 setback, a distinction few teams earned during the season. A defensive first half on Melrose's part ended with Wakefield leading 10-5. An aggressive comeback in the next half with "Tony" Giovino shooting the winning basket with but seconds to play, resulted in the hard-earned victory.

The boys have given their best all season and at no time were subject to an overwhelming defeat. A little more support such as we hope for next season, would have brought them into the winning column more often.

The scores:

Melrose 27—Wakefield 37
Melrose 27—Lexington 18
Melrose 23—Mitchell 7
Melrose 33—Dedham 24
Melrose 30—Stoneham 15
Melrose 14—Reading 22
Melrose 15—Reading 21

Melrose 9—Dedham 36
Melrose 21—Lexington 28
Melrose 25—Wakefield 24
Melrose 23—Mitchell 9
Melrose 26—Cambridge Latin 46
Melrose 12—Stoneham 17

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TENNIS

Captain, LAURENCE ROGERS

Manager, MACLYN McCRAE

Coach, WEBSTER HALL

So far this season the tennis team has had success. It started the season with a new coach, two letter men, and as a member of the newly formed league, made up of Watertown, Winchester, Melrose, Wintrop and Lexington. With two matches played and won, Melrose leads the league, but at this time of the season, it means little, as there are about six more matches to be played. However, a good start goes a long way. Mr. Hall as coach cooperates with the boys and is successfully striving to make them a winning team. To date the men have played in this order: No. 1, L. Rogers; No. 2, R. Huckins; No. 3, R. Flanders; No. 4, F. Johnson; substitute, K. Roeder.

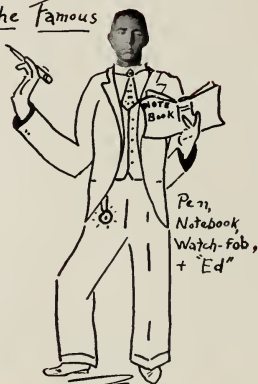
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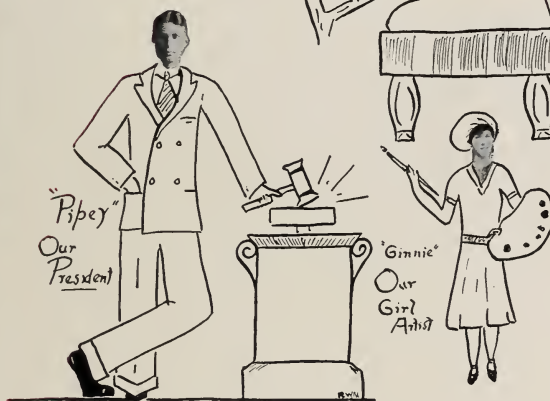
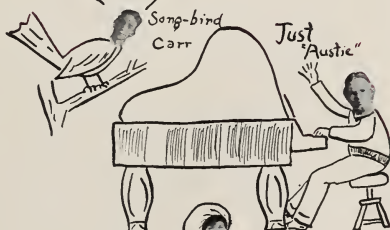
Note:- If "Howie" looks kinda queer it's
because he's on the back seat!!

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MARSHAL'S ADDRESS

GORDON E. PIPE

Parents, Teachers and Friends:

It is my privilege and pleasure to extend a most cordial welcome to you all from the members of the Class of 1927.

The fact that we are here before you, on an occasion like this, means that we have finished our four years at High School in a manner warranting our graduation. But in a more vital sense it means that we have successfully accomplished something that four years ago we undertook in a vague, hesitating manner. As this occasion marks the first step in our life's work, it is appropriate that we review a few of the happy moments we have spent together.

As I welcome you, I invite you to look back with us and hope that you will enjoy this afternoon as much as we shall.

CLASS HISTORY

JOHN M. LILLY

Parents, Teachers, Friends:

May I recall to your minds that fateful day, September 12, 1923? The first frost-tinted leaf had fallen to earth, the last sprig of golden rod had drooped its glorious head, and Melrose High had once more opened wide its portals. There, gathered before yonder edifice, were 275 quiet, bashful, hesitating, and shrinking members of the class of 1927. Such was the proverbial, perplexing, bewildering, confusing and embarrassing introduction to high school.

However, some of us made a good start, especially James Howard McHugh. In history the teacher said; "Howard, tell me what you know about the age of Elizabeth."

"Howie" replied, "She'll be fifteen next month."

The first quarter's marks appeared and on the credit list we placed 25 new names, an astonishing record for freshmen. Yet it was not until later in our freshmen year that our brilliancy was brought to a climax by the unceasing efforts of the members of Mac's Community Civics Classes. The immense map which we made of every house, barn, shed, garage, field, hen house and street in Melrose and presented to the city actually astonished the community, in addition to saving the city \$800, the price of an expert to make the map.

Along with the third quarter's marks came the following conversation between "Bob" Johnson and Mr. Sprague:—

"Who is the laziest person in your class, Robert?"

"Bob" answered, "I don't know, Mr. Sprague."

"Judging by your report you should know. When all the other children are industriously writing or studying their lessons, who is it that sits idly in his seat and watches the others work?"

A faint smile broke upon the countenance of Robert as he replied, "The teacher, Mr. Sprague."

Clarissa Libby was rewarded with a letter for her services in basketball, while "Howie" McHugh kept the class in History by making the baseball team. We were also represented among the track letter men by "Johnny" Lilly.

The month of June soon came and passed, ending our brief freshmen career. It may not have been the most brilliant or triumphant year in our history; nevertheless it was certainly one of the most interesting and most creditable.

On the morning of the tenth of September, nineteen twenty-four, we again entered good old M. H. S. as worldly wise Sophomores.

Little acts of foolishness,
Little words of sass
All mixed up together
Make the Sophomore Class.

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This poem being mere tradition, we settled down to work, which brought some of us to what Warren Lockwood calls "An efficiency equilibrium". (Well, he may be right.)

The girls' field hockey team which tied for the championship would not have done so without the aid of "Jerry" Ide and "Milly" Smith, who scored a great many goals.

Early in the fall we elected our first Class Officers: President, Gordon Pipe; Vice President, "Betty" Taylor; Secretary, Augusta Bonzagni; Treasurer, "June" Cushman.

On the championship hockey team of the United States and Canada we were upheld by "Howie" McHugh, while Clarissa Libby and "Milly" Smith were the girls to get a basketball letter.

About this time in English, Miss Blake asked her class this question: "All who want to go to Heaven when they die will please stand."

John Falby remained in his seat. "Why, John, don't you want to go to Heaven?", exclaimed Miss Blake.

John replied, "No, ma'm, not if that bunch is going."

Our Sophomore dance proved a big success after a great deal of work and enthusiasm on the part of the committee, headed by "Ed" Amazeen and consisting of Gordon Pipe, Dorothy Lees and "Dot" Pike.

"Howie" McHugh, "Tony" Giovino, and Gordon Pipe represented the Class on the diamond. At the same time the track team needed the ability of "Bill" Benedict and "Johnny" Lilly to capture second place in the Mystic Valley League.

Here's one that happened in Room 59 about this time: "Why should we celebrate Washington's birthday more than mine?" asked Mr. Dahl.

"Because Washington never told a lie," shouted Clyde Borgal.

Thus ended our second year.

Allow me now to go over our Junior year, one of activity, joyfulness, and eminence.

"Tony" Giovino, "Tom" Keady, John McKown, "Howie" McHugh, "Ed" Amazeen and, "Ken" Morehead upheld our honor upon the gridiron. With the assistance of "Jerry" Ide, Phyllis Buck, and "Milly" Smith the field hockey team was able to annex the championship.

To show you how some of our brains had developed by this time, I'll tell this incident: Harry Kopelman applied for afternoon work at Hopkins' Ice Cream Parlor. Mr. Hopkins said, "Yes, I advertised for a boy. Do you smoke?"

Harry replied, "No thanks, but you can treat me to an ice cream soda."

About this time we elected our Class Officers, who were Gordon Pipe, President; "Jerry" Ide, Vice President; "Dot" Lees, Secretary; "Junie" Cushman, Treasurer.

The hockey team was enhanced by the last playing of "Junie" Cushman, "Ken" Morehead, "Howie" McHugh and "Ken" Harris. They made it the success that it was. Those who won their letters in girls' basketball were Clarissa Libby, Phyllis Buck, and "Gretch" Grovestein. We were also honored by having "Tom" Keady, "Bob" Souter, Gordon Pipe, "Tony" Giovino, and Glenn Fuller procure basketball emblems.

The biggest event of the year, our Junior Prom, went off with a bang, proving to be the most successful prom ever held in the history of Melrose High. The credit is due to the committee consisting of "Ed" Amazeen, Phyllis Buck, Virginia Ball, and the Junior Class Officers: Gordon Pipe, "Jerry" Ide, "Junie" Cushman and "Dot" Lees.

The track team needed speed; so it took "Bill" Benedict and "Ed" Amazeen. "Howie" McHugh, "Tony" Giovino, Gordon Pipe, and "Joe" Delaney were the lads to attain the privilege of wearing a baseball letter.

On the debating team "Ed" Amazeen talked longer, louder and faster than any of its other members, just to keep our class in the limelight.

The tennis team had two mighty wielders of the racquet in Lawrence Rogers and "Bob" Huckins.

The cows are in the pasture;
The sheep are in the grass;
All the models of perfection
Are in our Senior Class.

Yes, we're Seniors now, and the one hundred and sixty members that returned are in the midst of perhaps our greatest year of uninterrupted study.

The championship football team included twelve members of our class: Capt. "Tony" Giovino, Gordon Pipe, "Ed" Amazeen, "Bob" Johnson, "Ken" Harris, Glen Fuller, "Ken" Morehead, "Doug" Cary, John McKown, "Tom" Keady, "Joe" Delaney, and "Howie" McHugh.

The "School Life" Staff under the leadership of "Ed" Amazeen and with the following partners: Gordon Pipe, "Betty" Cook, Helen Doty, Lawrence Rogers, "Betty" Taylor, "DeDe" McDonnell, Dorothy Pike, "Gil" Whitten, "Bob" Souter, "Austy" Ledwith, "Bud" Cochran, "Rus" Nichols, Lawrence Stuart, "Jerry" Ide, and "Johnny" Lilly, started out on what ultimately proved a very successful year.

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The field hockey team met with the best of luck, but not without Captain "Jerry" Ide Eleanor Miller, "Millie" Smith, Phyllis Buck, and "Aggie" Reardon.

All this time the traffic squad kept law and order in the corridors under the capable guidance of Capt. Gordon Pipe.

I must mention the following conversation between "Bob" Souter and Miss Abbe.

"What do you think of Latin?" asked Miss Abbe.

"Well," replied Robert, "They are dead who spoke it, they are dead who wrote it, all die who learn it, and bless 'em they earn it. (Incidentally Bob flunked the quarter.)

Right after this episode the following Class Officers were elected: Gordon Pipe, President; Edward Amazeen, Vice President; Muriel Chisholm, Secretary; "Tony" Giovino, Treasurer.

On the girls' basketball team captain "Gretch" Grovestein, Phyllis Buck, and Manager Mary Roberson earned their letters. The boys who won their "M" for tossing the ball through the iron hoops were Capt. "Tom" Keady, "Tony" Giovino, Gordon Pipe, Glen Fuller, "Doug" Cary and "Bob" Souter. The hockey team would never have won a game without our representatives, "Howie" McHugh, who was captain, and his co-partner, "Junie" Cushman.

Our "Highlight" staff with "Ed" Amazeen as editor-in-chief, and the following assistants: "Bob" Souter, Muriel Chisholm, Evelyn Creelman, "Jerry" Ide, "Betty" Cook, "Buddie" Cochrane, "Junie" Cushman, "Tony" Giovino, "Rus" Nichols, "Howie" McHugh, Stuart Stokes, "Gil" Whitten, "Ginnie" French and "Johnnie" Lilly, toiled with untiring energy to complete the biggest undertaking in our history. The reputation of previous year book staffs was maintained and even bettered, something of which we may well be proud.

The boys who hit, caught, missed, and chased the national pellet all over the athletic field were "Tony" Giovino, Gordon Pipe, "Ken" Harris, "Tom" Keady, "Joe Delaney, and "Howie" McHugh. Not to be outdone by this "Ed" Amazeen and "Joe Delaney stepped high and pretty on the cinder circle to earn their winged "M's".

"Buddy" Cochrane and "Ken" Reed were talking together in the lunch room one day when "Ken" said, "How much does a million dollars mean to you?"

"Oh, about five cents to me," "Bud" replied.

"Well, then how much does a million years mean to you."

"Oh, about one minute," answered "Bud".

"Say, lend me five cents," asked "Ken".

"Sure," replied "Bud", "in just one minute."

Capt. Lawrence Rogers, "Bob" Huckins and "Dick" Flanders were the ones fortunate enough to receive tennis letters. Captain "Bee" Libby and Phyllis Buck of the weaker sex also earned their symbols by serving a wicked ace on the courts.

The past four years have been one of success and accomplishment for the Dramatic Societies. Franklin Carr, Virginia Crocker, and "Dot" Pike were the successful actors in "The Goose Hangs High," "A Rose O' Plymouth Town," "What Men Live By," and "Wisdom Teeth."

This day's foreseen success is due to the Class Day Committee with Gordon Pipe as chairman, and "Ed" Amazeen, "Bud" Cochrane, "Rus" Nichols, "Bob" Souter, Muriel Chisholm, and Evelyn Creelman as associates.

Now the months in this last happy year have quickly passed, and a few days ago we all laid aside our worn out, dog eared volumes that the next Senior Class might taste, chew, swallow and digest their teachings.

We are proud of our Class and rightly so, for we have tried to do our bit for the school by consistently playing the game and playing it fair; and, as I retire, let me assure you that the Class of 1927 will display in the Game of Life the same characteristic fighting spirit that was so much in evidence in its brief High School History.

STATISTICS

RUSSELL NICHOLS

Three years, nine months ago we classmates brought forth in this high school a freshman class, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all classes are created equal.

We are now met that we might designate those of our number who have made themselves distinguished for various reasons and in various ways.

The first victim, or rather the first victims, this afternoon will be—"Betty" Taylor and Gordon "Speed" Pipe, who have been chosen as our most popular members. Such popularity must be deserved. Many are still at work endeavoring to discover the formulas which these two have used to secure the immense popularity that has been theirs during their high school careers.

Will "Joby" Delaney kindly rise and make himself conspicuous? Here, friends, is our most unconscious member. It is rumored that "Joby" is actually so unconscious he thinks that the

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Epistles were wives of the Apostles. Never mind, "Joe," you can still hit home-runs and make touch-downs.

If Phyllis Clark and "Bud" Cochrane will kindly favor us with their beaming countenances, I shall present for your disapproval our prettiest boy and best-looking girl—I beg your pardon, I mean our prettiest girl and best looking boy. These individuals are never permitted to leave our fair city without an escort, for fear they will get loose and revolutionize the moving-picture industry.

The Class of '27 presents with pleasure "Milly" Smith and "Howie" McHugh, our most perfect specimens of athletic ability who, with the able assistance of "Phyl" Buck, "Aggie" Reardon, "Gretch" Grovstein, "Gerry" Ide, "Jumie" Cushman, "Tony" Giovino, "Speed" Pipe, "Tom" Keady and others have kept Melrose on the map for the past year in athletics.

"Austie" Ledwith, will you kindly rise? Here, friends, is the individual who has been duly, fairly, and otherwise appropriately elected class clown. It is said that when Austie was a child, his father gave him a quarter each Saturday to put in his bank. He was six years old before he discovered that he had been putting them in the gas meter.

I find that I am obliged to ask Gordon Pipe and "Gerry" Ide to make their presence noticed. Before you are the best all-round members of the class of 1927. No matter what field of activities these two enter they always obtain prominent and well earned success.

"Mel" Prior, will you kindly bring yourself before the public eye? It gives me great pleasure to present our most fastidious member, Mr. Melville E. Prior. I have heard that his father uses him for a walking advertisement but as yet, I have been unable to learn whether he draws a salary or whether he's just naturally that way.

Will "Speed" Pipe and "Tony" Giovino please stand? Here are the class pals, to see one is to be warned of the immediate whereabouts of the other. They are such close pals that when "Tony" hurt his ankle in football, "Pipey" was noticed limping around for the next two weeks.

I wonder if "Barb" Anderton will kindly favor us with a smile? "Barb" has been chosen to the well-deserved position of the best natured member of our class. Meet "Barb" anywhere, any time, and under any circumstances and she will always favor you with a smile.

Will "Ginnie" French and "Gill" Whitten please place themselves in the limelight for a few moments? Here, ladies and gentlemen, are our class artists. They can do anything from drawing designs to painting posters and during their brilliant high school courses have won everything from poster contest to severe criticisms from Miss Coyle.

"Austie" Ledwith, will you kindly momentarily appear again? Here, friends, is the individual who has been duly, fairly and otherwise appropriately elected class humorist. As far as I know the only thing which "Austie" can't see humor in is an afternoon session.

I will now present to you our class man and woman haters. Carol Townsend and "Art" Kittredge, will you kindly stand a minute? I believe the fact is explained however by the knowledge that Carol has done so well in her studies and that "Art" has been chosen our class genius.

"Frankie" Carr, will you please perambulate into view a second? Before you is our class songster. I might add that it is only through the deepest consideration for you, my friends, that I refrain from asking him to render a selection.

I will now introduce our class dancers, Eleanor Miller and "Doug" Carey. We learn from facts that there is not a step that these two do not know from the newest contortions even to the old fashioned waltz.

I wish to introduce Edward S. Amazeen P. D. Q., the most ambitious member of our class. As a worker none excel him. But all great minds must have recreations. "Ed's" favorite pastime is yachtng. The first time he ever went out in a yacht the sea was very rough and "Ed" became slightly indisposed. When he finally reached the shore, he leaped from the boat and exclaimed, "Gee, no wonder Columbus kissed the land when he got here!" That's all for now, "Ed".

I wonder if "Dot" Pike will kindly stand a moment? "Dot" has been chosen class poet as well as the most original member. She has a distinctive ability to express herself in a most poetic fashion. As most original member there are none who threaten to win from her that position of honor. That's all "Dot".

I beg your pardon, there is one more thing. "Dot" is also our most talented member. She can play anything from a piano to a flute and has been heard several times over the radio as well as in many well known orchestras including that of the high school.

I must ask you to practice your most elaborate etiquette for a few moments as I am about to call on our best mannered members. Will Miss Evelyn Creelman and Mr. Gordon Pike please rise? These individuals are so well mannered that they actually know with which spoon to eat the soup and with which implement to tackle the salad.

I wonder if "Dot" Lees would be so kind as to favor us with a giggle? Thank you. There is no question about "Dot" being a giggler, as out of the entire class she received all but three votes for class giggler. This only goes to show her immense popularity in her chosen vocation.

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I will next introduce the class grind. Thelma Ward, will you please stand? As far as I can see the only difference between Thelma, and the rest of us grinds, is that Thelma obtains results. But after all, it's the results that count.

Will "Gin" Crockcr and "Frankie" Carr please rise a second? If you will notice, they are absolutely free from self-consciousness in any form whatsoever. No wonder, for they are our class actress and actor respectively. In the past few years they have appeared with great success in nearly all plays of importance both local and here in Melrose.

I am sorry, but I must ask our most bashful members to rise and face the glare of the public. Will Ruth Anderson and Leslie Swain please stand for just a moment? Believe it or not, but Ruth is so bashful that she doesn't even powder her nose in public and so bashful is Leslie that he refuses to recite in class unless he can sit in the back row.

I am now about to call on the class flirt. "Bunny" Wilson, will you please rise? To such an extent has "Bunny" carried on her flapperistic flirtations that we boys have been obliged to get organized, under the leadership of "Tony" Giovino, into a protective anti-flirt association.

I wonder if our most dignified members, "Peggy" Swett and Gordon Pipe, will stand a minute? These people are so dignified that they hardly speak when they see themselves in the mirror.

I will now call on our apt and able class orator "Ed" Amazeen. "Ed" has an unmistakable ability for public speaking and he excels in everything from radio announcing to reciting "Gunga Din".

"Johnny" Lilly, will you please rise a minute? Here, friends, is our most successful bluffer. He refuses to impart the secret of his success, but we have often wondered if he isn't just bluffing us into believing that he's a bluffer.

Now will Clyde Borgal please rise? Clyde is our most unsuccessful bluffer. Poor Clyde's failure at bluffing dates back to his grammar school days when, we understand, they had to burn down the school to get him out of the second grade.

Will the "Libby Trio" please stand? These sisters are known as "the least often on time trio". It is estimated that if they appeared anywhere twice in succession, all flags would be raised and a half-holiday declared.

"Laurie" Stuart, will you kindly contribute your part to the disturbance? Here, ladies and gentlemen, is our class exaggerator. So efficient has he become at this art that when he tells you about his Essex, it sounds like a Rolls Royce.

I'm sorry, friends, but it's got to be done. I am obliged to call on Ledwith again. "Austie," will you please rise? Here, friends, is the individual who has been duly, fairly and otherwise appropriately elected the wittiest member of our class.

Before you, ladies and gentlemen, are eight and one-half tons of the very best example of humanity in existence. Sixteen thousand, eight hundred ninety-nine pounds and sixteen ounces plus twenty pounds for "Frankie" Carr's shoes, making a grand total of sixteen thousand, nine hundred ten pounds and sixteen ounces.

The class of 1927 has once again displayed its originality and distinction by electing swimming as its favorite sport.

It resorts to dancing for its favorite pastime, while it chews as its favorite gum, Beechnut.

Our class demonstrates its willingness to uphold the laws of the country by electing water as its favorite drink.

The average height is five feet, three inches and it has been estimated that, if each member of this class were placed end to end on Main street, it would be foolish.

The class color is blue, while the rose has been chosen the class flower.

Of the collection of eyes before you 50% are blue, 40% are brown, 6% are grey, and 4% are hazel.

This, my friends, completes my list of nonsense and peculiarities relative to the class of 1927. We ask you to keep us in mind and to watch our success in the future.

GIFT ORATION

EDWARD S. AMAZEEN

Mr. Sprague, Teachers, and Friends;

As we, the Class of 1927, depart from Melrose High School after having spent four pleasurable years under its influence, years full of study, hope and accomplishment, we feel that we have a multitude of benefits for which we are very grateful. It seems so sudden, this departure at the very height of our school career. Yet it is better thus. We are leaving when our interest is at its peak, when the memories of these last few weeks are the outstanding ones which we carry

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away and whose picture will still be shining when all others are dimmed by age. Our life here has been extremely varied. We have had our games, our dances, our plays, our clubs, our various organizations, and we have had our books. Many of us have pleasant memories of hours spent in the library, reading, studying, or just browsing around.

Therefore, to show in a material way the appreciation which can best be expressed by our loyalty through the years to come, we wish to leave some remembrance which will also act as a link between the school and the members of the class as they follow their many paths through life. In choosing this gift, we felt that it should be useful as well as commemorative, and so we have chosen a bookcase wherein future classes may find the collective wisdom of many ages and the counsel of the world's greatest men. May its shelves be filled with the works of the poets, the dramatists, the scientists and the novelists of the highest order.

PROPHECY

VIRGINIA CROCKER

"Good-bye, and thanks most awfully for the very great honor of being the first to go 'round the world with you—the former 'Lone Ace'. It was enjoyable, 'Lindy'. Yes, yes, of course you were right. I will never be able to recall a more perfect voyage. These 'round the world flights are the thing and I didn't fall out after all though I nearly did when I saw Dave Dubrofsky teaching those savages in the wilds of Manchuria, 'The Elements of the English Language, as I quickly grasped them at Melrose High School'. You're to take me 'round again sometime. If I have a chance to see any of the Class of 1927, I'll never miss it" (to audience).

"What a trip! I have some pictures. If you all have a little time, I will tell you whom I saw. Despite the fact that I graduated some few years ago, I find my classmates are only slightly changed.

"After everything had been accounted for at the Boston Air Port and all was in readiness, who should detain us but Arthur Kittredge, who was all eager because he was about to marry a girl who was just then 'debbing' in Washington. She loathed small town things and wondered how they could possibly put up with only a 24-room house and live in Boston. Julian Carpenter and 'Tony' Giovino rushed up with messages. Julian wanted to be remembered to some girl in Bombay, and 'Tony' said to be sure to 'prize the putty' in Peru.

"We 'took off' down the Atlantic Coast, and our first stop was New York, where we visited the opening of a huge hospital. A very efficient group of graduate nurses had been obtained. Among these were Ruth Paddock, Dorothy Neville, Ethel Despin, Mildred Baldwin, Viola Loeffler, Isabelle Conn, and Carmen Libby. While we were there Phyllis Buck came dashing up as the rising young surgeoness of the times.

"What a 'to do' they were having down Broadway at a stage door when Franklin Carr tried to 'crash' a manager's office, insisting that 'the chemistry teacher had told him he was a real Shakespearean actor' and that he must make Broadway. Ahly assisting in the push were Joe Delaney, Arthur Cary, Clyde Borgal, Harry Kopfman, and Glen Fuller.

"When we arrived in Washington, I wasn't at all surprised to hear 'Gerry' Idle playing Handel's Sonata in a gorgeous hall where the music lovers gathered to gaze and listen to the 'wonder artist' from Melrose. After the concert 'Dede' McDonell came to us and insisted that we take tea with her at her home next door to the Egyptian embassy, where a huge bridge was in order. Those from Melrose included Katherine Dow, Ethel Kidd, Beatrice Millane, Marjory Williams, and Ruby Whitten, who had come to visit 'Dede' for a week end.

"This time we 'slid on' to South America where at the Argentine Capitol we were greeted by the ambassador and his charming wife, the former Helen Doty. Along with their party was a pompous little fellow—none other than 'Mac' Macrae, an American diplomat. At a ball given a few doors up the avenue we found such notables as 'Bob' Souter, Stewart Stokes, Lawrence Stuart, Hardy Wahlgren, and Laurence Rogers. What a 'stag line'!

"A cabaret was at its height not far from there at the most exclusive of the South American capital's night clubs, and here the Woods sisters were doing specialty numbers.

"But we had to 'trot off' just as 'Doug' Cary and 'Bunny' Wilson were introducing the fox trot 'a la Americano'.

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"The weather held good, so we crossed to Cape Town where we landed, and the first person I 'ran across' was 'Peg' Swett, who said she was on traffic duty in the African wilds, with her Buick roadster in tow. 'Peg' always craved that sort of excitement—including the roadster.

"We went on to Zanzibar and were forced to stop because our 'grease monkey' had a tooth ache. Dr. Horace Sturges extracted the tooth, and when I saw his attendant, Phyllis Clark, the American beauty, I was astounded! It seems she didn't want to take any 'movie' offers but wanted to do something different, and I didn't wonder at the mechanic's delay in pushing off later on.

"Our next stop was Muskat, Arabia. We were overtaken by a troop of Arabian horsemen, led by 'Ken' Reed, who was quite a shiek—his high school education accounts for it.

"We journeyed up the Suez Canal and at last we 'struck' Austria! The gorgeous glittering capital of the 'old world' stood before us. Vienna in all her glory. The land of waltzes, beer gardens, beautiful women, and dashing men. The handsome 'Bud' Cochrane was most seriously attentive to a little native girl wearing her holiday costume. At the festival that night, in an ancient castle were Emily Hodsdon, Gladys Beshong, Constance de Masellis, Florence Haskell, and Dorothy Huse, all dancing with distinguished foreign men, diplomats of the world.

"In Turkistan we attended a conference held by American athletic leaders to introduce the sport of kings, 'ping pong'. These officials included 'Tom' Keady, 'Howie' McHugh, 'Ken' Harris, and 'Junie' Cushman.

"Tucked away in a quiet, cozy corner in Siberia, Mary McCarthy was teaching school.

"In Bombay, I saw 'Be' Coburn and Muriel Chisholm, the inseparables. One was carrying a collapsible typewriter, the other, a block and pencil for both had turned public stenographers and enjoyed it. I tried from 'Don' to 'Knight' to see them again, but they were dated 'forever and a day.'

"In Calcutta, we heard 'Bill' Benedict was running up the hills of the East for a change and took the Himalayas. He was advertised extensively by his capable press agent, Rowland Blackstone.

"Singapore caught our eye next. Here we found 'Ken' Morehead, who was a big 'butter and egg man.'

"The Chinese version of art, so popular just then, was being painted by Jean Savage and Marion Hills who dabbled canvas in a pagoda in Hong Kong.

"When we reached the States we 'mooched' to dear old California, where we had a 'crack up', but no serious damage was done. We hurried for a newspaper to see what had gone on in our absence. To our astonishment we read that Anna Bayliss had become a second Helen Wells, Velma Farrin, the beautiful Velma, was now at the top of the ladder of 'moviedom'. Mildred Harris was to marry an 'oil king'. Frances Ruiter owned a darling tea shop which catered especially to movie folk.

"All too soon we went on. At Denver, Muriel Kemp, Thelma Ward and Olive Means conducted a select girls' finishing school in the 'great open spaces'.

"In Chicago I found Eleanor Miller married to an auto car builder and she now rides in her husband's 'special built' cars instead of in a 'Ford'.

"Betty Taylor had turned mechanic or 'what have you?' In Melrose High, Betty could put up and take down a 'mean' auto top.

"In Cleveland, 'Gillie' Whitten dabbled good looking scenery. At Cincinnati 'Barb' Anderton held the position of efficiency manageress at a well-known establishment.

"Then back to Boston where we paused to greet and congratulate Evelyn Creelman, president of a new organization, 'carrying on' a big work.

"Right here in Cambridge 'Ed' Amazeen was lecturing at Harvard on 'How to be more democratic.'

"After we had left Cambridge a great party was 'staged' at the 'airport' where Gordon Pipe was alighting from a plane. He had become President of the United States and had deigned to pay Boston a visit.

"From East Boston we motored to Melrose and were received at the City Hall by Mayor John Lilly, that serious, sober, stern-looking man who was as grouchy as he ever was at Melrose High School.

"Thus my perfect trip ends and now I plan to spend the rest of my days in Melrose, reliving my perfect 'round the world flight'."

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PRESENTATIONS

DOROTHY PIKE

Good afternoon, everybody! Now don't get excited, children, or you'll get me flustered too. What did you say? Oh, is that what you want? Well, let's see what's in here!

GORDON PIPE

In token of our love for you,
Our reverence, and all that,—
You know we can't say fully—
So, your honor, have a hat.

GERALDINE IDE

When you are on your concert tours,
And maybe far away,
Keep with you this, it's "Home, Sweet Home,"
In memory of today.

AMAZEEN, ED.

I know you're a shark on board your yacht,
The slickest sailor seen;
But you can't be a shark on this one here,
It's just made for a sardine.

COOK, BETTY

In class you are the only girl I know who never misses,
But beside all this, you're just a dear, so take this bag of kisses.

GIOVINO, TONY

You know we like you big;
We wouldn't have you smaller;
But, for goodness' sake, wear this on your head
If you feel you're growing taller.

CREELMAN, EVIE

When you're president of the Women's Club,
And cannot keep them quiet,
This gavel might be handy;
At any rate you can try it.

SOUTER

"Bob" had a nice new watch,
But he wouldn't let me see it,
So, in case of other curious girls,
Take this, and "lock-and-key" it.

CHISHOLM

"Chisy" is an all-round girl,
We haven't but a few,
So here's a present suitable,
For it is all round too.

COCHRANE

"Bud," we expect to see you soon on the silver screen, and because we wish you the best of luck, we give you a ticket to Hollywood.

CLARK

"Phil" is our other beauty! With so much color, "Phil", it would be a shame to stand any chance of its running—so here's an umbrella for a sudden shower.

CUSHMAN

When at Wentworth Inn you're lugging grips,
Keep this small box to hold the tips.

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CARR, CROCKER, KOPFMAN, CARY, BALDWIN, FULLER, DOTY, MEANS

Here's "Gin" and Frank, Harry, "Doug", "Mim", Glen, Helen and Olive!
Shall we never see the last of our actors and actresses? Mind, I didn't say they were *all* bad ones! And here are laurels to crown each one's noble effort. I think one of these would look unusually fetching atop "Austy" Ledwith's cherubic cranium, but I have something else for him.

LEDWITH, You're next!

Poor "Austy's" hairs are falling, almost daily, thick and fast,
But if you wear this skull-cap "Austy", they'll be sure to last.

ANDERTON,

"Barb" wears an ever-present smile,
It beats all others by a mile,
And if you use this Gold-dust right,
Your smile will always be as birght.

McHUGH

"Howie's" our athletic boy,
(Biceps on inspection),
Football, Hockey, Baseball too,
He plays to perfection.
"Howie" *did* ride horseback once!
In case he does again——
Here's a nice soft cushion, boy,
To help assuage the pain.

KEADY, JOHNSON, HARRIS

These are football players,
"Tom", "Robe" and "Ken",
Take this lint and linament, boys,
In case you play again.

LOCKWOOD,

Warren, you're a woman-hater, aren't you?
But don't you think you need a pal?
You take this baby fiddle,
And play to us a liddle,
And I shouldn't wonder if you'd get a gal.

NORWOOD, PULLO, CLARK

These three are our very smallest members,
How anyone can find them I can't say.
So I'll give them each a rattle,
To prevent "hein' et" by cattle,
In case into a pasture they might stray.

MOREHEAD,

"Ken", you're not afraid of girls, are you? Now, don't blush, or you'll give it all away. "Ken" was working in Cow-Hampshire last summer, near where I was—and I'm sure he developed quite an affection for one of my sister-waitresses. When "Ken" is a farmer,
He sure is a charmer;
He grabs all the hearts in the town.
But in case they are scarce,
Or your motor needs gas,
Why here is a heart to salt down,

RICHARDSON,

Marion is daft on pajamas;
She can't get sufficient, it seems.
So I couldn't forbear to give her a pair,
Although she already has reams!

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BRYANT, NEVILLE

These are the bravest among us,
For they're to be married right soon,
So, to make sure their cakes will be good ones,
We give them a big wooden spoon.

FALBY,

John is our most skeptical member. He can't believe anyone—least of all Miss Miller. But the other day he got caught sliding down the banisters. Who caught him? A nail! To insure against such risks, here's a hammer to pull them out with.

REARDON,

We can all hear "Aggie" coming,
Her heels go "clickety clack",
Here, "Aggie", please put these on,
And take the others back!

PRIOR

"Mel's" the most fastidious boy,
He ought to be his mother's joy.
But at the fire and water sale
He spent most all his extra kale.
So, "Mel", here's a *beau-ti-ful* tie
May you never exhaust the supply!

STEVENS, DESPIN, HATCH, BALDWIN, BARRETT

See what a bright class this is? Did you know that the reason you red-headed people aren't fat is that red-headed people don't eat as much as other people. There aren't so many of them. Now, brilliant members, if you all take one of these pills daily, I know you'll soon be broad and buxom.

KEMP

Muriel is our class angel. Come here, Muriel and I'll pin these on.

TAYLOR,

"Betty" is the *busiest* girl! And it's all her own business, too. I don't know what to do about it except to give her a pair of roller skates. They might come in handy when the Whippet contracts tire trouble.

WARD

Thelma is more than an angel
She's our class' only saint,
For her—a brand new halo.
Saint Peter just put on the paint.

STUART

"Laurie" is the biggest story teller! His imagination is the limit. Why, he even tells some people he plays the clarinet. His imagination goes beyond the limit there—for I sit side of him in orchestra, occasionally—and *I know!* "Laurie" I'm going to give you these. And please keep your imagination reined in.

McDONELL

"Dedie", I threatened to give you this—and here it is! Are you blushing properly? It's a "Dickey" bird.

KITTREDGE

"Art" just about lives in Hutchie's Lab. The other day Chief Newman answered the phone to hear "Art" say, "Hello! Is this the Fire Department? Well, please tell me where there's an alarm box. There's a fire in the Lab!" That's all right "Art"! Geniuses *do* get that way. But I'd hate to have anyone blindfolded by your brilliance, so won't you please wear this lampshade to save your eyes?

ANDERSON, SWAIN

"Ruthie" is so bashful! Oh, dear You people mustn't frighten her so! Here, Ruth, hide your blushes in this sunbonnet.
And "Lally" is our most retiring male. He's just mortified to death this minute. Well, all right, "Lally", here's a nice wide skirt to hide behind.

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KIDD

Ethel should have been voted our most ambitious, but, you see, she never told anybody. Some day she plans to swim the Channel—an so I'm giving her a jar of axle-grease.

SWETT

"Peggy" is dignified, isn't she? You know, "Johnny" Lilly told me that the surest way to ruin anybody's dignity was to make them eat spaghetti! Here, "Peggy"! I'll be up tomorrow.

LILLY

Now, "Johnny", you've got to pay the piper. You're a good bluffer, are you? Then give her this bouquet to wear to the dance tonight—and who knows but that you can make her think it's roses?

LEES

Now, "Dot"! You mustn't giggle like that! Grown up!—Oh, dear! She's hopeless. Then, here, "Dot"! Take this lollipop—and let your victuals stop your mouth".

DELANEY

"Joe" is so unconscious! Be careful, "Joe"! Don't step off the edge of that platform—you might hurt somebody. You'd better take this cane so you can feel where you are going.

LIBBYS, STELLA, BEA, CARMEN

This is the "Libby Trio,"
I've heard they're often late.
Make use of this alarm clock,
So folks won't have to wait.

COBURN

"Bea's" forever trotting round on errands, as a rule,
So take this scooter "Bea", for service to the school.

McKOWN

You've all heard the song, "Baby Face" haven't you? Well, "Johnny" is the is the original of the song. So, "Johnny", come here and let me tie on this dear little bonnet.

WILSON

"Bunny", I know you're good at flirting,
But practice, when you can,
And I'm sure 'twill do no hurting
If you practise on *this* man.

HUSE

"Dimpy's" hair is awfully curly,
And she has to get up early,
So 'twill be sure to stay slicked flatly down,
Now, "Dimpy" here's some "slickum",
It's better than the "stickum"
That's shining on the head of John McKown.

PEABODY, HUCKINS

Lester met "Bob" on the street one day last summer and said "Why, "Bob"! You're so thin that if you closed one eye, you could pass for a needle." "Bob" nodded dolefully, and answered, "Yes! That's what hard work has done for me! But you're so thin, yourself, that your mother could feed you grapejuice and use you for a theonometer! Now, boys, wouldn't it be awful is someone should bump into you without knowing you were there? So please pin these signs on your manly bosoms.

BEALE

"Billy" claims to be the one who is in worst need of cash. He is the only one to admit it, anyway. So, here, "Billy" Join the Salvation Army and pass the tambourine.

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NICHOLS

"Russ" has very obstinate hair. First it curls and then it doesn't! Now, "Russell, I know, as you say, that curly hair is much more becoming to your style of beauty so here's a curling-iron. I think "Gin" will show you how to use it.

SMITH

Milly's appendix didn't fit, or *had* a fit, or something—and so she had it eliminated. I now she hates to be minus anything—so here's one. It came from a history book.

STOKES

It's the lot of little brothers
In this economic day,
To wear what was the other's
And isn't thrown away,
So, Stuart, even if you do,
We know just how it is,
And we'll give you something brand new,
That *couldn't* have been his.

PETERSON

Kenneth, I've often seen your serpentine form gliding down Broadway, completely submerged by a pile of books. I hate to see you getting thin and stooped from this labor—So I take this little cart to assist you.

WAHLGREN

"Hardy" just loves to play nursemaid
To all the young girls around town,
So "Hardy", please use this small buggy
And then you can push 'em around.

DAVIS

"Bea" is a girl who never talks! She's worse than President Coolidge. But I've heard, somewhere, that much pressure inside is not good for anyone—so I think we ought to relieve her of some of it. "Bea", here are two balloons, you can blow them up, and when you have, you and I can each have one—Thank you.

WHITTEN, FRENCH

"Gilly" and "Gin" are artists! H'm! Seems to me I've heard that name before, as Santa Claus says. Well, "Gilly", here's a paint book for you. Now, "Gin"! You are noted for having the weakest voice in our class—so I appoint you my herald—I'm sure you won't disturb the neighbors. Take this megaphone and call "Ma" and "Pa" Fogg and Mr. Sprague to the platform—Louder! Thank you. Now Ralph Clements, President of '28. Thank you.

"MA" and "PA" FOGG

"Ma", I know your love for flowers, but you don't know our love for you so please accept this little rosebush as a token from the Class of '27.
"Pa", this is for Teddy. Although he is seldom on display, he is really the only mascot of M. H. S. and should be so labelled.

CLEMENTS

When you are up at Marion's,
The family must bother a speak.
So take along this basket
It only holds one Peck.

MR. SPRAGUE

Our lamp of learning you have trimmed
Throughout our four year "term",
And, as that light in our lives,
So may this in your home burn.

And now, perforce, my duty done,
I guess I will adjourn.

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SALUTATORY

THELMA M. WARD

It gives me great pleasure to extend the greetings of the Class of 1927 to all who are here this evening,—mothers, fathers, teachers, and friends, all of whom have done so much for us. Mothers and fathers, you have encouraged us and given us help and love which has enabled us to carry on to this day. Our school committee, our superintendent, our principal, Mr. Sprague, and our teachers, how much we owe to you! You have indeed inspired us to climb, always keeping our eyes on the goal which we attain today. We trust these graduation exercises may give you each one pleasure, and we offer to you our heartiest appreciation for all you have done for us. We thank you.

MOUNTAINS

During recent years people have taken especial interest in that snow-capped peak of the Himalaya Mountains, Mt. Everest. Despite man's efforts to reach the summit, she majestically defies all attempts made to conquer her heights. The village inhabitants at her base are so awed by her grandeur that they worship her as an all-powerful goddess, and they do not try to climb to the summit, for they must not make her angry. It thrills one to look at the pictures of the mountain which were taken by the last expedition. How much more inspiring, then, must it be to see in reality this sublime example of God's handiwork!

Another mountain which has attracted considerable attention is situated in Kansu, China. You have heard of the "Mountains that walked in the night" That is the way the Chinese explain the immense land slides which took place, Dec. 16, 1920. The events that happened when the mountains walked away are miraculous. Valleys vanished; hills appeared; an entire village was cast into oblivion with the exception of three men and two dogs; a famous Moslem fanatic and his three hundred followers, who were preparing to declare a holy war, were sealed forever in a cave as they knelt on their prayer-mats. What can be more appalling than a "walking mountain!"

If you will look back through the ages to earliest history, you will find that another great event took place on a mountain. From the cloud obscured heights of Mt. Sinai, the voice of God spoke to Moses, and delivered to him the ten commandments,—those ordinances which even now form the basis for the codes of law of civilized nations. How wonderful it is that our laws are founded on words which were delivered by God from the mystic heights of a mountain!

I have been telling you of mountains in India, China, and Palestine; but now I would speak of a mountain nearer home. I shall call this mountain High School Hill. We have now reached the summit of this hill, called Graduation. Will you look back with us over the road we have travelled?

In September, 1923, we stood at the base of the mountain, so high, yes, seeming to tower among the clouds. But our steps were light; our hearts were brimming over with hope, and gaily we set out to scale the mystic heights. We discovered that there were several paths, any one of

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which if successfully climbed, would lead us to the summit. The first question, therefore, which faced us was "Which road will you take?" Here, many of us found that we needed a guide, and we went to our principal, who wisely directed us to the path best suited to our needs.

Then at last we began the ascent. It was not long, however, before we found that climbing a mountain was a harder task than we had expected, for we met with many obstacles which were discouraging to amateur climbers. But to offset this discouragement, we found guides and helpers along the way. We are especially grateful to one of these helpers who came to our rescue early in our journey. He taught us a lesson which has proved invaluable to us—the lesson of cooperation. We realize that we could not have climbed the mountain alone. When one of us was slipping, a helping hand or an encouraging word brought us safely through.

It seemed that we had been climbing but a short time when we reached our first resting-place. From here we looked back over the road we had travelled, and we were happy that we had so far succeeded.

Having gained fresh strength we started on the second part of our journey. This time, since we were fairly well acquainted with the difficulties of the path, we were able to enjoy the beauties of the mountain. Now we began to breathe deeply of the wonderful atmosphere of school spirit on High School Hill. The path had indeed become an alluring one. Many were the sharp turns, but the vista of knowledge ahead spurred us on to keener effort. Occasionally we met perpendicular walls of rock which at first seemed impassable. But then again our guides helped us, showing us a crevice in which to get a foothold, and thus starting us once more on our way. For the most part, however, the second and third sections of our journey were pleasant ascents.

When we reached the third stopping-place, we looked up and saw some at the top who called down to us from the heights, saying that they had won and that what man had once done, man could do again. They reminded us that we must have patience, and we, too, should reach the goal.

With this encouragement we were ready to press forward, this time with the summit in view. Our party had been a large one when we started to climb, but many stopped on the way. We who persevered have now come to our reward. Although the last part of the ascent has been steep and difficult, the outlook along the way has fully repaid us, and we have now reached the peak, Graduation.

But life is full of mountains, and this is but one of them. We gaze out from the peak of High School Hill and see many mountains ahead. These also we long to climb. But every mountain has a valley; and if we would reach the summit of another, we must first descend and start again at the foot. We cannot take with us those who have assisted and guided us thus far. To whom, then, shall we look for direction in climbing these mountains of life? May we not with the palmist say, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help?" May we not listen for the voice from the mountain-top, the voice of Him who made the mountains? He shall surely lead us to a wise choice. Yes, He will go with us all the way.

"We have beheld the vision. Evermore
Must our poor life be nobler than before."

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ESSAY

THE OCEAN

ELIZABETH F. KING

"And God said, 'Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear:' and it was so."

"And God called the dry land earth; and the gathering together of the waters called He Seas: and God saw that it was good."

The ocean, the oldest created thing, has always held a peculiar charm for man. It appeals to all his senses, it reflects all his thoughts. It has itself ever-changing phases which respond to the different personalities of mankind. It is never twice alike, even to those who spend their lives on it. Indeed, those people who know it intimately are better able to read its many moods than those to whom it is a stranger.

To a favored few it is primarily a friend. They can go to the sea as to a brother, confide their troubles to it, and ask its assistance. To these people, a week spent with only the ocean for company means the solving of all puzzling problems, the straightening of all tangles, the smoothing of all worries. When the ocean has spread its influence over them, they come to what seems the only possible and logical way out of difficulty, and they wonder why they did not see it before. The sad may always find sympathy and comfort here, and the tired may find rest on its slow, rocking waves.

But there are some who hate the ocean. They look on it as a deadly enemy, one which can never be overcome, because it has taken some dear one. How can the mother whose son has been drowned love the sea? How can the wife whose husband has sailed away and never returned be its friend? To these the ocean must seem a horrible monster whose jaws mean death. In them it inspires a hatred as great as the love it gives to others.

This very changeability gives the ocean its mystery. Great steamers white and gold may roll to Rio, to London or to Cairo, to Shanghai or to New York with record breaking speed; great navies may sail majestically or fight efficiently; brave men may fly across it; great unknown wastes of water may be explored and charted, but the sea will always have its mystery. Man has wrested its secrets from the ocean since time began, but there still remain questions that will never be answered. How many times the brief epitaph "Lost at sea" may have a meaning that only the ocean knows! What deeds of cowardice and of heroism, what hopes and fears are silenced forever in "Lost at Sea!"

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Those who have ears to hear and eyes to see, find in the ocean an inspiration unequalled elsewhere in nature. The artist's senses are especially attuned to the various moods of the sea. He finds a reflection of himself in every curling green breaker, in every furious storm. Surely it is a subject worthy of the greatest brush. The vastness of the ocean inspired the great explorers to push back their horizon until the whole world belonged to the peoples of the earth. It has inspired musicians to their greatest compositions, it has inspired writers to their greatest works. To each of the great poets it has seemed to make a different appeal. To Byron it was majestic and awful:

"Roll on, thou deep and dark blue Ocean—roll!
Ten thousand fleets sweep over thee in vain; . . . each zone
Obeys thee; thou goest forth, dread, fathomless, alone."

To Wordsworth, the ocean was a symbol of immortality and eternity, and he tells us that
"though inland far we be,
Our souls have sight of that immortal sea which brought us hither . . . and see
the mighty waters rolling evermore."

Shelley was one of those rare beings who are friends of the ocean. He says that he
"loves the waves, and winds, and storms" and sees "the Deep's untrampled floor
With green and purple sea-weeds strown;
I see the waves upon the shore
Like light dissolved in star-showers thrown;
I sit upon the sands alone
The lightning of the noon-tide ocean
Is flashing round me, and a tone
Arises from its measured motion."

We are about to set sail on the ocean of life. To us it is an uncharted sea. Although those who have gone before us have taught us, beside those things for which our diplomas stand, something of the voyage before us, we generally prefer to steer our own course. Some of us will arrive in port and some of us will go on the rocks, but we shall have had the satisfaction of doing it ourselves.

(To the class) Classmates, won't you make friends with the ocean? Won't you let it help you, cheer you when you are down-hearted, encourage you when things look blackest, inspire you to succeed in whatever courses you choose, so that you may come safely and successfully into port when your voyage is ended?

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VALEDICTORY

The Mississippi

ELIZABETH COOK

Of late the Mississippi has been a source of great interest to all Americans as well as to foreign peoples. Many of us, especially those who do not live near this great "Father of Waters", do not realize the history and romance which surround its discovery and exploration, the awe and wonder which it inspires, and the influence it has on many lives.

De Soto in his explorations was the first to discover this mighty waterway. We now can but imagine the joy and fascination which he and his trusty followers experienced at this wonderful sight—a majestic river winding and turning its course between wooded banks, far-reaching prairies, or lofty bluffs. How appropriate it is that he who lost his life in the exploration of the river should lie in his final resting place beneath its broad surface.

La Salle from the North was delighted with its calm and grandeur as compared with the roaring torrents of the Ohio. His route extended to the mouth of the river, when he named the territory "Louisiana" in honor of the king of France. The ensuing conflicts and controversies between England and France, however, have left the river unmoved, unaffected, and today it flows on just as it did hundreds of years ago.

Rising in a tiny lake in Minnesota, it begins quietly and demurely through a shallow marsh, gathering speed and volume till it forms a merry, playful stream. Its growth is rapid, but for many miles it lies between tall cliffs, the fondly caressing arms of Mother Nature. Just as a mother guides and influences the life of a little child, turning and shielding it from the evils and misfortunes of the world, so Mother Nature directs the rising course of the Mississippi.

As it travels eagerly on, broadening, deepening, and gaining new strength and new energy, its increasing power is not wasted. The river is harnessed and made to work to supply water power and electricity. The burdens which it carries upon its broad bosom are light at first, for few and small are the ships which can navigate these upper regions. However, with the increase in the capability of bearing greater burdens comes an increase in the amount and importance of river traffic until, when it enters the sea, its ability in such lines is unlimited.

In the early stages of the Mississippi there are few outside influences, but as it advances along its course, these influences become many and powerful. One of the first is the muddy and tainted Missouri, whose evil influence and effect is never lost until the Mississippi reaches far out into the sea. Others, like the Ohio, make no such lasting impression, though their floods and high waters do often raise to some extent the level of the Mississippi.

Thus in our early life we are influenced by the lives, good or bad, of those about us and of those with whom we associate daily. In just such a way, too, do we feel these influences all through our youth and often on into our later life. Yet, in one respect, our lives cannot be compared to the Mississippi since we have the chance to choose those with whom we wish to become associated and those who will raise and not lower our moral standards. Therefore, it is our own fault if we are degraded, and it is to our credit, if we are uplifted, by our choice of friends and companions.

During past years the Mississippi has been kindly and beneficial to the farmers and plantation owners whose lands lie along its banks, and, in fact, to all who have homes in its great valley. For nowhere in our country can more extensive fertile land be found. How much do the people of that district, how much do we, even, of New England depend upon the products raised in that great valley. Once again the river renders a service, since, flowing right at the farmers' back door, it makes the removal and transportation of his products easier and more efficient. Tucked away in the woods which line the banks in some places, are scattered lone farmhouses whose inhabitants find it more convenient and more speedy to get their supplies and communication from the river boats, which stop daily at their wharves. Commerce on the river is now extensive and continues to grow steadily through the years. Thus our great "Father of Waters" has been a benefit to mankind; thus he has done good turn after good turn and has become known as peaceful, kindly, and helpful.

But lately, what a change has been wrought in this mighty old stream! Who would now call it calm, peaceful, and helpful? As if suddenly awakening to the realization of its power, it has torn away the frail embankment built by man and has poured in upon his dwellings and lands. Ruining all in its path, taking many lives, and leaving destruction in its wake, it has rushed on, driving from their homes those who, because of their confidence in the river, thought themselves safe from such an evil. Yet how easily that confidence, how quickly that trust, has been broken. By one wild act a good reputation has been utterly shattered. Now many years will pass before the old reputation is regained.

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So it is with each of us. No matter how good we may be, one misdeed may bring us to a position where we are regarded with suspicion and, if possible, shunned and avoided. After one such misstep how easy it is to follow the downward path and how difficult to again reach the high road.

Despite everything, however, the great river flows speedily on, reaching out to gulf the goal which it has set for itself—the sea. Often it is turned out of its true course, hindered by seemingly unsurmountable obstacles, or driven far to one side on the other. Yet, in the end, its goal is reached, its mark is made, and it travels on to the unknown of the future.

Slowly it moves, and in a mystic silence,
Passes on its wandering
Out through its shadowy portals to the ocean
Where sails are blossoming.
On, ever on, to strange and far adventure
On waters wide and deep
The river travels through the countless ages
And does not ever sleep.

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Mr. Superintendent and Members of the School Board:

We of the class of 1927 wish to extend to you our appreciation of the many privileges which, through your untiring efforts, we have been able to enjoy. We realize that you have worked carefully to make Melrose High a school of first rank, and we consider it an honor to be graduates of such an institution.

Mr. Principal and Members of the Faculty:

As we look back upon our high school career, we are fully aware of the important part which you have played in our lives. In a patient, kindly way you have guided us along the highways of learning, holding us in check when we would hasten too fast, urging us on when we would loiter, and showing us how to overcome every obstacle so that we may be better fitted to meet the coming trials of life.

Classmates:

The doors of the future are open now to receive us as we go forth, each his own way, into the world. May these doors never be closed behind us, but let us rather leave them open so that we may look back upon the happy days which we have spent together in Melrose High. Let us ever remember all that we have accomplished and all that has been done for us as members of this school. May the friendships which we have made during our life here never be broken and may we always remain.

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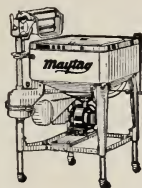
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